

# “Love, God: True Love”

March 22-23, 2014 | John 4:7-12

1. Jesus embodies and demonstrates the \_\_\_\_\_ of True Love. | John 4:9-12

2. Jesus embodies and demonstrates True Love is \_\_\_\_\_. | John 4:10

3. Embodying and demonstrating True Love is \_\_\_\_\_ for the Jesus Follower. | John 13:12-17 & John 12:12

4. When we embody and demonstrate True Love we \_\_\_\_\_ True Love. | John 13:17 & | John 4:12

## Keeping It Real

1.) “What am I doing to stay connected to God?”

2.) “Who am I loving?”

# Life Steps

## Day 1

Mark 8:27-38

Immediately after Peter declares Jesus to be the Messiah, he falls flat on his face. Why do you think Peter rebuked Jesus after he spoke of his death? What misconceptions did this reveal about what Peter thought it meant for Jesus to be the Messiah? Journal what it means for you to take up your cross and follow Jesus.

## Day 2

Ruth 1

Put yourself in this story. Why was it remarkable for Ruth to stay with Naomi? To whom have you or are you demonstrating this kind of love?

## Day 3

Luke 7:36-50

In the first century, a woman with a reputation like this was not permitted to eat in the same room as a man. What gave her the courage to do what she did? What do you think Jesus saw in her that others didn't? What does this teach us about what love can look like?

## Day 4

Colossians 3

What does it mean for our lives "to be hidden with Christ in God"? Go back to verse 14. How does love bind all of these virtues together?

## Day 5

Mark 10:35-45

How does this passage flip our culture's understanding of greatness on its head? How should this passage influence the way we love others?

## Day 6

Romans 12:9-21

What does it mean for love to be "sincere"? This is a description of what love looks like in action. In what ways is this kind of love showing up in your life? In what ways is this kind of love lacking in your life?

## Day 7

1 John 2:12-14, 3:1-3 & 19-24

Reflect on what the weekend's message and scriptures have said about God's love for one another. Write a letter of appreciation to someone who has demonstrated this kind of love to you.