

# Life Group Discussion Guide

# September 28: 1 John 3:11-24 --- Love Revealed

### Icebreaker:

Think back to a time when someone showed you a simple but genuine act of love or kindness. How did that moment impact you, and why did it feel so meaningful?

## **Discussion Questions:**

**Big Idea:** The presence of God's love is proven by the practice of our lives.

- 1. Read 1 John 3:11-15 and Genesis 4:1-7
  - a. In Genesis 4, who are the people in the story and what happens?
  - b. What was different between Cain and Abel's worship?
  - c. What does it look like to give God your leftovers?
  - d. What does it look like to give God your first and best?
- 2. Read 1 John 4:19
  - a. How does my view of God's acceptance of me affect my worship?
- 3. Read 1 John 3:13 and Galatians 1:10
  - a. Who or what competes with God for your approval? Who are you trying to please?
- 4. Read 1 John 3:16-18
  - a. What has God given to us? What has God given specifically to you?
  - b. In light of what God has given to you, how should you give to others?
  - c. In what ways do you need to start sharing your time with others?
  - d. In what ways do you need to start sharing your treasure with others?

#### 5. Read 1 John 3:19-24

- a. What do these verses teach about our relationship with God?
- b. What gets in the way of you feeling right with God?
- 6. The sermon listed three things from this passage that assure us:
  - ✓ God's love in us is expressed in practical love of others
  - ✓ The presence of God's Spirit in us
  - ✓ verse 20: "God is greater than our hearts and knows everything"
  - a. How have you felt assurance from God?
  - b. How would you explain assurance to another believer struggling with it?

#### 7. Action Step

a. In the sermon we were challenged to set aside something valuable this week in order to practically love another person. How did you do that, or how do you plan to do that this week?

## What's Happening in the Life of Legacy:

More details on these events can be found at <a href="lcc.org/whats-happening">lcc.org/whats-happening</a>

**All Campus: Shepherding Elder Ordination:** October 12. 4:00 – 5:00 pm. Overland Park Campus.

Overland Park Campus: Men's Breakfast: October 11. 8:00 – 9:30am. Cost \$5.

Lee's Summit Campus: Men's BBQ Tour: October 2. 11:30am – 1:00pm. Smoke Town BBQ.

Olathe Campus: Fall Tailgate: October 6. 5:30pm.

**Blue Valley Campus: Tailgate Sunday:** Nov 2. Following 10:45 service.

**Hispanic Ministry Campus: Women's Night:** October 3. 7:00pm.

## **Local Serving Opportunities to Share with Your Group:**

These are the serving requests we have received over the past few weeks!

**Shelter KC** – For more info, contact Andi at <a href="mailto:aehrhardt@shelterkc.org">aehrhardt@shelterkc.org</a>.

• Urgent Need! Men's and Women's new, unopened underwear: Amazon Wish List

**The Single Mom KC** – For more info, contact Michelle at <a href="michelle@thesinglemomkc.org">michelle@thesinglemomkc.org</a>.

- Pressing Need! Our toiletry shelves are empty! To donate new, full-sized toiletries, makeup, and feminine hygiene items, contact Michelle or purchase here: <u>Amazon Wish List</u>
- Volunteers are needed for The Single Mom KC Walk on October 18.