



Lesson 8

The gospel is why we love our neighbors

STARTER QUESTION:

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5 min

Connect

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Watch the Video and Discuss

10-15 min

What did you discover about why we love our neighbor?

Study

30-45 min

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Choose the scripture passage

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Have two people read it.

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Discover more by asking observation questions. Don't interpret just yet.

What stood out to you? What word or phrase caught your attention?

Step 2: Deepen

15-25 min

Learn more by asking interpretation questions, such as:

What did you learn about God?

What did you learn about people?

What did you learn about why we love our neighbors?

Ask additional interpretation questions like: who, what, where, when, how, and why.

Step 3: Do

5 min

Take time to pray silently, listening for how God would have you obey.

What can you do about what you discovered this week? What small steps of obedience can you take?

Write down an "I WILL Statement." Keep it simple and specific.

As the Holy Spirit leads me, this week I WILL...

Share your "I Will Statements"

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