

## God's Love

### Words

Love  
Light  
Humble  
Receive  
Outpouring  
Forgiveness  
Reconciliation

### Scriptures

#### **Matthew 22:36-40**

“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” Jesus told him, “‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and most important commandment. The second is exactly like it: ‘You must love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commandments.”

#### **1 John 4:16**

We have come to know and rely on the love that God has for us. God is love, and the person who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

#### **1 Corinthians 13:4-8a**

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

#### **Ephesians 4:1-3**

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

#### **Romans 12:4-5**

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

## The Gathering God's Love Questions

### **Part 1: God's Love**

1. What does it mean to love the Lord with all our heart, soul and mind?
2. What does it mean to love ourselves?
3. How does God's Love abide in us so we can share it with others?

### **Part 2: God's Love**

1. How can we share His Love with others we meet every day?
2. You must love your neighbor as yourself. What does that mean in your daily life?
3. Since God has provided all creation and loves His creation, is there a difference on whom we love?

### **Part 3: God's Love**

1. What role and importance do forgiveness and reconciliation have at LFAC?
2. Do we spend more energy and time trying to be perfect and happy with our church, or being dedicated to loving and serving each other?
3. What can we do to increase our love for each other at LFAC?

### **Part 4: God's Love**

1. How can we truly love our family members as 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a?
2. How can we "not keep record of wrongs" with our family members?
3. How can we love our family members that we do not agree with and which have chosen a different path in life? Do we hold true to unconditional love?