

EQUIPPED TO FOLLOW: Part 8

Remain in the love of Jesus

[Leaders: I suggest that you break into gender-based groups so that people can share more freely. Leaders, please do what you can to allow people to share freely. Encourage free and honest sharing in a safe, trusted atmosphere, because we need to help people be real with each other. And remember, this starts with you!]

OPEN IN PRAYER

Invite someone to open in prayer, inviting the Holy Spirit to move and speak.

DISCUSSION

1. Quick ice-breaker: If someone had to spend a month watching and listening in on your life, what would they say is something you really love?
2. Would you like to share a moment where the reality of God's love became very real to your heart?
3. If you were honest, where do you stand with regard to the REALITY of God's love right now?
4. Let's go a little bit deeper: having listened to this video, or even Sunday's message, what is something you turn to for love instead of God? In other words, when you're feeling low or needy or triggered, what do you turn to for affirmation or meaning or acceptance or love or distraction?
5. In what ways do you pretend or perform to God and others in order for him to love you more? Or are there things you do – even good things – but with the motive of hoping that God will love you more?

PRAYER

Encourage genuine prayer for one another, and where possible, empowered ministry (think Spirit Equip learnings).
