

LOVE GOD

Ephesians 4:17-24

MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. JESUS CAME TO TRANSFORM LIVES
2. TRANSFORMATION HAPPENS THROUGH LEARNING
3. THE GOAL OF LEARNING IS LOVE

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick one or two of these to talk about as a group

1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Why?
2. This is the first week of the fall small-group semester! Here are a few questions we should talk about as a group before getting into any discussions about the sermon:
 - What are your hopes for this group? How would you define success?
 - How has God gifted you? How can those gifts help you contribute to this group?
 - What expectations do you have for this group?
3. Our church's vision statement is "to see lives transformed by Jesus." Has Jesus transformed your life in any way? If so, how?
4. Growing in our love of God through learning about who He is and what He's done is one of the primary ways that transformation takes place in our lives. What have been the primary ways you have learned about God throughout your life?
5. Walking the wrong path in life is directly rooted in believing and thinking the wrong things. What are some examples from your own life of when wrong thinking led to wrong behavior? We can be so blind to our own wrong thinking. How do we protect against this problem?
6. Transformation occurs through learning about Jesus, learning in Jesus and learning from Jesus. He is the content, context and communicator of Truth. Have you ever experienced "Christian" learning that wasn't centered on Jesus? What was that like?
7. The aim of Christian learning is love. What have you been learning from God's word recently? Has it led you to love God and others more? Why or why not? How can we be wise in our approach to topics that might be "non-essential" to the Christian faith but may still have some value?

A TRUTH TO TAKE WITH YOU: The aim of Christian learning is love. That is why true Christian learning leads to Jesus.