



Sermon Discussion Questions

1 John 4:7-11 // Live in God's Love

- Do you think experiencing profound love changes the person who experiences it? In what ways? Why or why not?
- Pastor Joey said we tend to forget in the everyday how God's love for us is supposed to transform us beyond simply resting into his love but into showing his love. Do you find that to be a struggle?
- What reasons does John give for why we should love one another?
- Before you discuss much further, how does John define love? What example does he cite?
- Do you think love is primarily an emotion or an action?
- Pastor Joey defined this kind of love as "offering life through sacrifice." Do you struggle with that definition?
- John uses the word "propitiation". What does that word mean? How is it applied to Jesus? How does that affect the way you think about God's love toward you?
- Can love and anger exist in the same person? Why or why not?
- According to 1st John 4:12, how is God's love "completed" (ESV says "perfected") in us?
- What are some of the simple, every-day ways you can love others by offering them life through your own sacrifices?
- How will your community help you show love to them and to others?

