



discussion starters.
November 1st. | God is...Abounding in Love

We invite you to take the content of our Sunday Morning worship hour, and discuss with a friend, your family, or your LIFEgroup each week. This is meant to be a guide for your discussions and can be used as a launching point or complete study outline. Feel free to choose all, many or even just one that will work best for your LIFEgroup.

SUMMARY.

God's love never gives up. What we think of God shapes the way we walk, talk, think, love, & move. God is abounding in loyal-love. His loyal-love is not dependent on our faithfulness, God abounds in loyal love, Hesed & Emeth, because of who He is. Jesus showed us what Yahweh's loyal love in action looks like, regardless of your faithfulness, regardless of your loyalty, of your sin, Yahweh is abounding in love & faithfulness, in Hesed & Emet. Because Jesus, who is fully God & Human, was loyal & faithful to God & gave His life on the cross, we can look forward to & have the confident hope of the day when Jesus returns, death & evil will be defeated, & we'll be set free to live with & love God forever. As followers of Jesus, the same must be said of us. - If the world is going to believe in a God who is abounding in loyal love, a love not dependent on how good you are, then they need to see this love lived out in the people of God.

A SCRIPTURE TO READ.



6 And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, 7 maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.

Exodus 34.6-7

I will betroth you with me forever; I will betroth you in righteousness and justice, in love (Hesed) and compassion. I will betroth you with faithfulness (Emeth), and you will acknowledge the Lord.

Hosea 2.19-20

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.



Romans 8.28

B QUESTIONS TO ASK.



1

What is different about a Covenant Love?

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How does His Covenant with us show God's abounding love and faithfulness?

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Are there people in your life you have given up or quit on?

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What are some examples of how God clearly didn't give up on you? How has it changed, or how could it change, your response to others?

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See Section C for more applications for this week.

C APPLICATION | CHALLENGE.

What would it look like for you to not give up, to be faithful, to remain, to pursue, to be like Jesus in love & faithfulness, in loyal love?

What is one specific way you can show God's loyal-love to one (specific) person this week?

We would love to hear your highlights from this discussion so please email us at office@avonwesleyanchurch.com or text us at **585-622-4575**.

D ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES & RESOURCES.

Visit our webpage www.avonwesleyanchurch.com/lifegroups for more resources and to watch bonus content.

These additional resources include videos from The Bible Project, another for our younger kids, and a video to help adults, in explaining and showing grace to kids.



E QUESTIONS FOR FAMILIES WITH KIDS.

- 1 Is there someone in your life that you know would love you no matter what mistakes you make?
- 2 Is there someone in your life that you would love no matter what they do or say?
- 3 Sometimes people do or say things that make it hard to love them. Do you think God has a hard time loving us when we reject him or sin?
- 4 Is there someone in your life that you could show love to, and not treat them differently for the hurtful things they have done or said?

F QUESTIONS FOR AWC YOUTH GROUP.

- 1 What do you think about God's character being "abounding in loyal-love"?
- 2 Have you experienced God's love in this way? (When has God shown you that He hasn't given up on you?)
- 3 Is there someone, or group of people, in your life that you have "given up on" loving?
- 4 Do you think God wants you to show more of His loyal-love, so they can experience it through you?
- 5 See Section C for more applications for this week.