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MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

Please feel free to pick and choose questions that relate best to you and your Life Group.

I Love My Church Week 1

ICE-BREAKER: Would you consider most of the people in our church: family, friends, acquaintances, or strangers?

What would it look like to love the church, each other, and the community around us the way that Jesus loves us?

READ: John 13:34-35

According to these verses, what is the impact of having love for one another?

What is the significance of Jesus making this a new commandment?

What prevents people in the church from expressing love to each other? What prevents them from expressing love to those outside the church? What advice would you give someone who wants to overcome these obstacles?

What effect does a congregation's behavior have on people who do not attend that church?

What is the biggest obstacle you need to overcome personally in order to better love the people in this church? How about the people in the community? What steps are you willing to take to overcome these obstacles?

How do you think it would affect the congregation if each member of this group made was committed to love each other as Jesus loves us?

What steps can we take to make our church known for its love? How might God be glorified by our behavior?

What steps can you take to become more loving to others?

How might the church look different, a year from today, if everyone decided to intentionally love their church?