



IMMANUEL CHURCH

Conversation Starter: Does God Really Care About Me?
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Opening Questions:

- Do you remember the *Where's Waldo?* books? Did you find them frustrating or entertaining? Did you actually look for Waldo or just peruse the countless other components of each picture?
- Do you ever feel like Waldo when it comes to life? What about with God? Do you feel like he's missing you when you're missing? Is he searching for you or are you just another face in the crowd?

Looking at Scripture:

- Read ***Psalm 8:3-4***... How does it make you feel to think that King David himself wondered why or if God cared about people? Why do you suppose this has been such a persistent question for mankind?
- Read ***Zephaniah 3:16-17***... God delights in you; do really think so? How do you feel about God singing joyful songs about you? If this is true, what does that mean for your day-by-day life? Does it change how you approach things?
- Read ***John 3:16-17***... Now read it two more times. What stands out to you more than usual? How have you missed that before; maybe overlooked it?
- Is God's love scandalous? How so? Why do so many people struggle with accepting the love of God? Why are we suspicious of it or think we need to earn it in some way? And how do we stop thinking that way?

Application Questions:

- The bottom line this week was: **HE CARES MORE ABOUT YOU THAN YOU CAN POSSIBLY IMAGINE.** When you imagine someone loving you to the max, what does that look like? Does that describe your understanding of God's love for you? Why or why not?
- What would a day of "walling in God's love" look like for you? What would you think about? Pray about? Write about? What things would you do? Who would you be sure to talk to?
- Jesus knows your name... Who are you? What might God genuinely love about you? If you were missing from him, what would he miss about you? Don't answer with what you think *might* be; answer with what you *know* really is.

End your time together praying for one another; pray God impresses on the heart of each member that he loves them more than they can imagine. Ask him to be extravagant and blatant with his affections this week. Remind each other every day that he knows your name.