

Take a look at Matthew 18:15-20. Kasey suggested that this is a passage about relationships, about loving each other well.

- Do you agree? Why or why not?
- How does this passage reflect a selfless love?

Kasey said that loving someone does not mean that we always give them what they want.

- How would you say that world defines love?
- How would you define love
- Kasey suggested a definition of “doing what is best for the other regardless of how it affects us.” How is this accurate? How is it inaccurate?

Look again at 1 John 4:7-21.

- God is what?
- How is God’s love made complete?
- Do we have a role to play in making God’s love complete?
- If we give love, where does that love come from, what is its source?
- As we pour out love to others, we need to be filled ourselves...how does this happen?
- How does perfect love drive out fear?
- Fear of what? (hint: the deepest desire of our soul is to be fully known and fully accepted, so our deepest fear would be...)
- If we still have fears, does it mean we are not in His perfect love?

Kasey suggested that when we love someone else well, God is present to them in our interaction with them.

- This is a big idea, do you agree? Why or why not?
- Do you believe that God has ever used you as the answer to someone’s prayer?
- What does it say about how God values you that He would entrust such a mission to you?
- What does it say about how God might interact with us and answer our prayers?
- How would you now answer the question, “where is God?”
- Is that a different answer than you have had at other times in your life?
- What are some of the other answers you’ve believed?
- Looking back, were they true, lies, or half truths?

- What are some of the possible implications of believing some of those previous answers? (for instance, if God is watching us then He sees us but is not interacting with us and we are not truly in relationship).
- It's important for us to recognize some of the lies we have believed about God, call them out, and move away from them and closer to Him. How can you move from some of those lies towards God?

Buried in the 1 John 4 passage is the sentence, "In this world we are like Jesus."

- What does that mean?
- How does that make you feel (excited, convicted, heavy, etc...)?
- Look at 2 Corinthians 5:20, is it talking about the same thing?
- What would you require of someone in order to allow them to be your ambassador, to represent you to the world?
- Would it make you nervous to know that someone else is representing you to others? Why?
- With all of that in mind, how much does God trust and believe in you?

Take a look at John 17:20. This is part of Jesus' prayer.

- Jesus prays not just for the disciples (we are disciples, followers of Christ) but for all those who WILL believe in Him through OUR message.
- You've been invited to join Him in what He is doing, You are a part of the reconciling of all things, You are a part of making God's love complete!