

Living FROM THE CROSS

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION AND REFLECTION

BEFORE VIEWING

(Review) What were some key ideas from the last session. Discuss.

1. Think of someone you love or think of someone who loves you. How do you they know you love them or how do you know that they love you?
2. What is a challenge you have when giving or receiving love to or from others? Discuss.

AFTER VIEWING

1. The statement "God loves you" or you are "loved by God" has become something that we have read and heard so frequently that it sometimes loses its meaning. What does it mean to you that God loves you? How would you describe the practical implications of His love for you?
2. Compare and contrast God's love with our love experiences with people.
a) God is love b) God's love is unconditional c) God's love is unlimited d) God's love is indiscriminate e) God's love is unfailing
3. What points about God's love really resonated with you in a deep way today? Discuss.
4. How deeply have you been forgiven?
5. Stephen shared his experience coming to a deeper understanding and acceptance of the following ideas:
a. God doesn't love Jesus more than he loves you.
b. This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased.
-Do you find these ideas hard to believe? Why? Don't the scriptures tell you that it is so? What are your next steps in coming to terms with these truths?

FOLLOW UP

1. Living FROM love suggests that you are totally secure, accepted, valued, known, etc. Reflect both on the stance that you have taken in the past and the difference the stance of living FROM might make in your life and ministry.
2. In this series Stephen helped to uncover Living FROM: a) the Spirit and Truth b) the Faith Life c) Victory d) New Life e) Sonship f) Significance g) Holiness and h) Love Which message did you need to hear most and why?
3. Identify some key ideas from this course that are shaping your thinking today. What is the Lord putting on your heart today? What are your next steps? Or what are you committing to?