



Discipleship Resource

"The Story of One"

1 John 4:10-12

Scripture Memory

*No one has ever seen God; if we love one another,
God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.*

1 John 4:12 (ESV)

Sermon Summary

How are we to live as the church in a fractured world? According to 1 John 4:10-12, we are to live as one in two profound ways. First, we have the gift of living in unity with God because of the sacrifice of Christ on the cross (v. 10). Second, we have the responsibility of living in unity with one another by loving sacrificially as Christ loved us (v. 11). When we live as one in a fractured world, the world will see the love of God on display (v. 12).

Discussion Guide

- This week, how do you think it breaks the heart of God to see the world he loves fractured?
- How does God loving you first through Christ fuel you to engage our fractured world?
- How is our love for one another a beautiful argument for the gospel to a watching world?
- Where do you struggle to listen and love those around you sacrificially as God loves you?
- How is God leading you to listen and love those around you sacrificially this week?

Prayer Guide

- As a disciple, praise God for His example of sacrificial love through Christ on the cross.
- For your family, pray that we would sacrificially love one another with Christ as our example.
- For our church, pray that we would pursue Christ by seeking unity and not uniformity.
- For our city, pray that our city would be united by gospel unity in the days ahead.
- For our world, pray that they would see the love of God as the church seeks gospel unity.