

“Unconditional”

December 2, 2018

1 John 4:9-10

OPENING PRAYER: As a family or group, pray for those who do not receive love from others every day. Be sure to include orphans, homeless people, shut-ins, people in hospitals, and military personnel.

WRESTLING WITH THE WORD:⁹ *God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him.* ¹⁰ *This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.*

- This passage talks about God’s love for us. How does this touch your heart?
- God sent His Son for you because He loves you...how do you feel about God’s love for you?
- The unconditional love of God for us is “real love.” How do you feel that love?
- How does this scripture speak to your understanding of God’s unconditional love?

NEXT STEPS:

- Write down or draw a picture of ways that God and others have loved you unconditionally.
- Is there a time when you felt God’s unconditional love? Tell your story to others.
- Think of ways you can *Love Big* like God in unconditional ways toward other people. Tell other people in your group how you are going to *Love Big*.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK:

Oh Lord, help us to love others like you do. We know that we can never be perfect at loving like you are but we can get better. Show us how we can be more like you. In Jesus Name we pray. Amen.