

Luke 7:36-48

Knowing how much God loves us, fills us with a love worth giving to others.

1. Undeserved invitation.

God's love is an undeserved invitation that needs a response.

Luke 7:47

2. Unconditional demonstration.

A person who is forgiven little shows only little love.

1 John 4:9-11; Ephesians 5:1-2

3. Worthwhile sacrifice.

Romans 12:1

How am I living in the overflow of God's love?

How does the way I treat others reflect the way God has treated me?

Small Group Outline & Discussion Questions

Connect:

Have each person share a high and low from this past week.

Consider:

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Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.

- ▶ What are some ways people can know they are loved by God?
- ▶ Are the people God wants you to love more like Simon or the woman?
- ▶ Read 1 John 4:9-11. Who deserves to be invited to receive God's love?
- ▶ Read Romans 5:8. What did we do to deserve God's love? What do people around us need to do to deserve our love?

Commit:

Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with these questions then share your thoughts.

On a scale of 1-10, with 10 being overflowing, where would you put yourself in knowing God's love for you? What would it take for you to receive a deposit in your account?

Read Ephesians 5:1-2. How is God prompting you to love?

Care:

Thank God for the highs mentioned earlier and remember the lows in prayer.

Pray for the Church to truly know God's love and share it freely.