

NWC Small Group Questions - Oct 7, 2018

Read 3 John

BELOVED

- 1. John's favorite title for his readers (1 John and 3 John) is "beloved". How is this significant?
- 2. To what extent is the love of God a "nice idea" vs. a "daily reality" for you? In other words, is God's love something you experience personally... or just believe mentally? What "road blocks" keep you from "knowing and believing the love that God has for you" (1 John 4:16)?
- 3. What Scriptures speak most vividly to you of God's great love for you?

 Pastor Trevor Hudson advocates pasting some of these verses together to create a personal "beloved charter".

 This is simply a short paragraph using the words of Scripture to reinforce the truth of your "belovedness".

 Consider creating one of these (again, using Scripture!) and reviewing it/meditating on it regularly.

VERSES 1-4

4. Are you able to identify anyone that you would consider your "spiritual child"? (Not that you have dominion over them, but you are spiritually investing in them)... If so, you might ask about how that is going, or perhaps someone could attest to the joy that comes in making disciples. If not, how could you begin to pray and prepare and pursue "spiritual children"?

VERSES 5-10

- 5. ** What is your current level of involvement/support of our Far Flung Families? What would it look like for you and your small group to EXCEL in supporting our missionaries in a manner worthy of God? Brainstorm this together and create an action step that will help us step up our game in loving and serving and supporting those we send out from North Wake.
- 6. What "road blocks" keep us from fully excelling in this area? In what ways do pride and ambition ('me first') play into this?

VERSES 11-15

- 7. Are there any Christian practices that you feel ill-equipped to do? (Prayer, evangelism, serving, study of the Bible, parenting, stewardship...etc!) -- who is someone you consider strong in that area that you could ask for help in SHOWING you how they do what they do?
- 8. What does it look like for you to be more intentional in INVITING others into Christian obedience with you (i.e. SHOWING by example) rather than just telling/exhorting them into Christian obedience?