

**DATE:** November 19th, 2023

**TITLE:** Driven By Love

**SCRIPTURE:** 1 John 4:7-12

**SPEAKER:** Dave Mobley

# FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

## OPENING PRAYER

**ICE BREAKER:** Tell us a food, music, or holiday you love? How does your love for family differ from your love of things?

**THINK BACK:** Referring back to this week's sermon... What is the BIG IDEA of the Scripture AS IT WAS TAUGHT THIS WEEK? Was there anything that left you with questions?

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### Read 1 John 4:7-12

1. How would you define love? How do you tend to use it?
2. How would you describe God's love from human love?
3. Where is the best picture of God's love? Read Romans 5:8
4. What happens when we come to know God's love for us?
5. Read thru 1 Corinthians 13. What surprises you and what humbles you?
6. What 3 things did Pastor Dave use to describe false or human-centered love?
7. What can we do to love each other with God's love?

## ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

- 2 Corinthians 5:14,15
- 1 Corinthians 13
- Romans 5:1-8
- Galatians 5:1-15

## APPLICATION

Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion. Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life? What does God want you to know or do? What's one thing from this text that you could say to an unbeliever about who God is?

## PRAYER

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs and for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

## SHEPHERDING

Check the roster and see who is not there. Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be met by the group? Specific prayer requests? Ask for someone to reach out and say, "We missed you."

## REMINDERS

### Small Group Checklist

- Ask about ideas to serve in some way together. Serve 1x every six weeks or so.
- Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!! One way to reach 'out' together is to welcome people 'in.'
- Discuss childcare, if needed.
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.

**Check the bulletin, monthly newsletter and events page on the website for ways that you can get plugged in, as well as events here at FCC. Here are a couple of those things:**

- Small Groups: we need volunteers to sign up to provide SNACKS for our D6 students on Sun nights! Please pick a date & sign up online!
- Our next Covenant Member meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 3rd at 5pm! Bring a dish to share!
- Ladies - Save the Date for our annual Christmas Party on Friday, Dec 1st at 6pm in the cafe!
- Do you like to decorate or just want to serve the church? Join a group of people on Friday, Dec 1 at 10am to get FCC ready for the holiday season!