

BEYOND SUNDAY

TOGETHER: RESPONDING TO
HIS GREAT LOVE

Sunday, August 22, 2021

The series *Together: Responding to His Great Love* is foundational to our new beginning at PCC. By studying 12 springs from the well of God's unlimited love in the Book of [1 John](#), our hope is that it would empower us to love ourselves and others more, as we seek His future direction. This week, we focus on how God's love provides us with identity, longing, and purpose.

#1
In the last week, how did you receive and or release the love of God? If not, what could you do to position your soul to do so?

#2
Spiritual Practice: [Lectio Divina](#) with [1 John 4:7-5:5](#)
What stands out to you (words, phrases, theme) after the 2nd or 3rd time you read through it?

#3
When you think of who you are, what labels or statements do you tend to say about yourself? Do they align with being a "beloved, dear child of God"?

#4
John encourages his readers that to belong to a community of Christ-followers means you confess the death and resurrection of Jesus, and you use your life to impact that community. How do you align with John's affirmation?

#5

To say that I love Jesus and yet I may “hate” or despise, judge, or ridicule a fellow community member is not the purpose for our life. Our purpose is to LOVE God and LOVE others. How can you love others this week with word and action?

Resources to help you receive and release His Great Love

FOCUS

Breath Prayer

Inhale: Help me to receive your love

Exhale: Help me to release your love

REFLECT

Lectio Divina: [1 John 4:7-5:5](#) — try this 3 times this week

Daily Examen: Today, how did I receive the love of God and how did I release it?

WATCH & READ

Video: [The Chosen](#) — see the love of Jesus

Kids: [What is a Christian?](#) Journey through 1 John. Access through [Right Now Media](#).

Kids: [Have You Filled a Bucket Today?](#) (book)