


LOVE KUWAIT JOIN THE LOVE-OLUTION

Lesson 2 “The Command to Love” I John 4:7-21

Group Opener: *(Choose a question for your life group to discuss.)*

1. Describe a time when you loved and served someone even though you did not feel like doing it? How did you feel afterward?
2. Have you ever had someone show you acceptance and love at a time when you did not feel like you deserved it? In what way did they demonstrate that love? How did you respond?

 **Group Facilitator** – *It is not necessary to use all the questions. Select ones that will stimulate the most response from your small group.*

God is Love (vv. 7-8)

1. What are some reasons we may find it difficult to love those around us?
2. Read 1 John 4:7-8. What comes to your mind when you think of John’s description of God in verse 8?

God has lavished His love on us (vv. 9-11)

3. Do you agree with the statement, “You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving?” Why or why not?
4. In what ways are you assured of God’s love for you?
5. Describe some of the characteristics of real love? (see 1 Cor. 13)

When we love, we prove that we have God’s love to give (vv. 12-21)

6. What are some of the indicators that we have a vital and living relationship with God? (vv. 12-16)
7. Share a time that fear kept you from obeying God. Share a time that God’s love motivated and empowered you to overcome fear and enabled you to show love to someone else. (vv. 17-18)
8. In what ways does knowing God’s love help us to obey the command to love others? (v. 19)
9. What can we do to allow God’s love to fill our lives more fully?
10. Who will you show God’s love to in a practical way in the coming weeks, and how will you do it? Be specific and creative.

✓ **Selah (Stop and Think about it):** *(Take the time to make personal application of this section. Have each member share with the group.)*

- What is God teaching you about the responsibility to Love?
- How has God specifically spoken to you about demonstrating His Love to those around you?
- Have some group members share testimonies of how they are extending God's Love to people here in Kuwait.
- Plan a time that the Life Group will corporately extend God's love to others. Plan the events and execute them together. Encourage your group to do more than one event in the month of March.
- Throughout March, encourage your members to go to the Love Kuwait Facebook Group and share how they have personally demonstrated God's love in specific acts of compassion. We will share some of the testimonies in our services. Others can go online to read the wonderful stories of what God is doing here in Kuwait.