



Community Group Notes

DOXA DEO HATFIELD

SERIES: Exhibit His Glory

SERMON: Week 2 – Love



(1) CONTEXT & SCRIPTURES

SERMON SERIES

One of the most foundational scriptures of Doxa Deo's ministry is Habakkuk 2:14, "For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the LORD's glory, as the water covers the sea." In fact, this is where our name comes from, the Doxa (Glory) of Deo (God). We believe glory is not simply something God possesses; it is all that He is. As humankind we have been designed to exhibit this glory in every sphere of life to the world around us. We exhibit God's glory in the form of (1) Faith that seeks the lost, (2) Love that heals the pain, and (3) Hope that restores what's broken.

MAIN SCRIPTURES

[Please go and read the following scriptures, making notes of what stands out to you]

- [1 Corinthians 13:1-8](#)
- [Matthew 5:13-16](#)
- [Ephesians 2:10](#)
- [Matthew 22:37-39](#)

[Please DON'T ATTEMPT to use all the questions under each heading, pick those that suit your group and its current journey]

(I) GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER

→ *(Find a conversation starter for your group)*

- **Q1:** What is the dirtiest you have ever been? Share your experience with your group.

(II) DIGGING INTO THE BIBLE AS A COMMUNITY

→ *("Okay friends, Bibles open please" – Choose questions that create open discussion)*

- **Q2:** Let's all read **Matthew 5:13-16** & **Ephesians 2:10** together
 - o Why does Jesus want our good deeds to be seen by others? (Matthew 5:14-16. Compare with Matthew 6:1-4.)
 - o What do you think are the good works that God has prepared for the church to accomplish?
- **Q3:** *It is not only what we do, but how we do it.* Let's all read **1 Corinthians 13:1-8** together
 - o (v.4-7) What are the characteristics of love? After reading the passage, see how many of these characteristics the group can remember (No peeking! 😊)

(III) PERSONAL DISCIPLESHIP & PRACTICING MINISTRY TOGETHER

→ *(Break into smaller groups, get more personal with the Bible in each other's lives, and end with a moment of ministry)*

- **Q4:** Let's all read **Matthew 22:37-39** together – *Jesus told us to love God and love our neighbour* – Name one person that your heart goes out to; that you wish you could help.
 - o Why do you think you feel this way about this specific person?
 - o What is keeping you from reaching out (more) to him/her?
 - o What is there that you can do for your person in need this week?
 - o What 1 Corinthians 13-4-7 characteristics of love are the most relevant in this situation?
- Pray as a group for all the people that were identified, and for our reaching out to them.