

Weeds In My Garden

Leader Guide | Week 4

Key Things You Heard

- God's love for you is personal.
- God's love can get through your pain.
- God loves me just as I am.
- God loves enough not to keep me the way I am.
- God's love will not abandon me.
- God's love doesn't just come to you. It moves through you to others.

Pray

Heavenly Father, sometimes the world gets the best of us. We forget we are loved. We don't remember that you love us and the lies of the enemy keep us from remembering that we are loved by others, too. Open our eyes and let us see the truth. In Jesus' name, amen.

Tweetable Moments

"All Satan has is lies. Don't listen to him. You are loved."

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Questions for Conversation

Icebreaker: What is your most used emoji? Why?

- Read **2 Corinthians 10:3**. Generally speaking, is this a true statement for most in the church today? Explain your answer. Why do many people have a hard time trusting the weapons we have been given to wage war against the enemy?
- Read **2 Corinthians 10:4-5** and **Ephesians 6:13-19**. As a group, identify the seven weapons a believer has, based on Ephesians 6:13-19. What are these weapons used for, according to Ephesians 6:13? How seriously do you take the effectiveness of these weapons against the attacks of the enemy? Explain.
- Read **1 Corinthians 13:4-8**. Based on 1 John 4:16, God is love. So, what does 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 show you about God? How does understanding this provides insight into what you believe about God?
- Jerry provided 6 points at the end of the sermon and supported them with scripture. Take turns reading each scripture and matching it with the right point. (The sermon's points can be found in, Key Things You Heard above.

1 John 4:18; 1 John 3:1; 1 John 4:9-12; John 3:16; John 13:34; Psalm 31:7; Psalm 5:11-12; Romans 5:5; Romans 5:8; Roman 8:35,37-39; Lamentations 3:20-22; Ephesians 2:4-5; Ephesians 1:5; 2 Corinthians 5:14-15

Now Go Do It (resources and next steps)

Challenge: Do you struggle with believing God loves you? Watch this short Rightnow Media video, and then journal a prayer about God's love. The Radical Reality of God's Love. (<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/player/video/248912?session=248912>)