

# LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

**Series:** It's What We Do

**Sermon:** Love's Response

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## OVERVIEW

**Series Summary:** Love is not just a feeling. Real love involves action—it takes grit and is often messy. It's what we do to care for the people around us, which ripples out into our communities, and even across the globe. *It's What We Do* is an exciting, month-long initiative, discovering what it means to live from a place of radical love. Starting Easter weekend and for the next 35 days, we'll engage inspiring weekend messages, daily challenges, and simple spiritual practices to help us experience God's radical love and put it into action. In this series, *It's What We Do*, we want to come out on the other side with a fresh perspective on how love can be what you do every day.

**Main Insight:** The message of my life should make Jesus make sense.

**Memory Verse:** John 3:16-17

### **Key Scriptures:**

- Acts 17:2-4 – Religiously Lost People
- Acts 17:16-20 – “Humanist” Lost People
- James 1:19 – Quick to Listen, Slow to Speak
- 1 Peter 3:15 – Reason for Hope, Gentleness and Respect
- 2 Corinthians 6:1-2 – Now Is the Day of Salvation

## GROUP DISCUSSION



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Go + Do Weekend is this Saturday & Sunday!



### DISAGREEMENT / LOST PEOPLE

- How is disagreement handled in our culture (especially on social media)?
  - What are common disagreements and arguments people have with each other?

<p><b>Religiously Lost People:</b> those who believe anyone or anything can save them besides Jesus</p> <p><b>Humanist Lost People:</b> those who believe human potential is the highest calling of life</p>
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- Why can it be difficult to engage lost people? What are common issues we face?
  - What humanist philosophies do we hear today? (you do you, be true to yourself, listen to your heart, self-made person, pull yourself up, increase self-esteem, believe in yourself, etc.)
  - Why can't a Christ-follower agree with these kinds of philosophies?
  - Read Acts 17:2-4, 16-20. What is our modern day "synagogues" and "marketplaces" to dialogue and share religious/humanist beliefs?
- How have Christians failed at illustrating the heart of Jesus in delivering the gospel?
- Read James 1:19 & 1 Peter 3:15. How should Christ-followers handle disagreement?

### MAKE JESUS MAKE SENSE

- What does it mean to "make Jesus make sense"? Why should we live that way?
  - What holds us back from actually living out our faith like this?
- Pastor Jeff mentioned five platforms we can use to "make Jesus make sense."  
**Which do you find easier? Which do you find more challenging?**
  - Our *words* and conversations
  - Our *counsel* to help in life issues
  - Our *sacrifice* through generosity
  - Our *life-change* & transformation
  - Our *transparency* through humility
- How can you make Jesus make sense this week? With your three?

Landing Point: We should make Jesus make sense to with active listening & gentle reasoning.