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## Sermon Discussion Guide

Series: Follow Jesus Sermon: If God's Love is the Solution .... How do we allow it to flow through us?

## Recap the Highlights:

- 1. The first part of the sermon
  - a. Most people are not looking for a **<u>solution</u>** to the root cause of a problem. They are looking for an answer to the immediate problem.
  - b. When we allow the Holy Spirit to flow through us freely, our **perspective** of the problem changes and we are looking for a true solution, not just a quick fix (immediate gratification.)
  - c. The <u>Holy Spirit gives us desires</u> that are the opposite of what our sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting and we have to be aware at all times.
  - d. When we make the right choices; the Holy Spirit makes the changes. His love is expressed through you!
- 2. The second part of the sermon
  - a. Identify all people as being created in **<u>His Image</u>**!
  - b. Slow down enough for the Holy Spirit to <u>'feel'</u> people's needs through you!
  - c. Make a difference **<u>where</u>** you can and **<u>when</u>** you can!
  - d. It if doesn't **cost** you something, then it's not 'love.'

## Now Dig Deeper:

- 1. We all know people that don't want a solution. They shoot down every idea that someone gives them in the moment. Have there been times when you were that person?
- 2. Who are people that you struggle to love as God's children? What actions could you take to implement this into your life more?
- 3. Pastor said that doing small things is better than doing nothing at all. Are there times when you have procrastinated doing anything because you could do everything you want to at that time? What was the result of that?
- 4. Love costs something. Can you name a time where it cost you personally to love someone through a difficult situation?

## Respond & Pray:

• Pray individually or as a group for the Holy Spirit to reveal ways that this message has spoken to you personally.