



Love God

Love One Another

Do Mission Together

Home Group study: week beginning 31st October 2021

LOVE GOD, LOVE ONE ANOTHER, DO MISSION TOGETHER

THEME: LOVE GOD - THE CLOSEST FRIENDSHIP

PASSAGES: EXODUS 33 1-11

LAUNCH

Who was your best friend at school? Why were you such good friends with them?

What are the key qualities that you would look for in a friendship?

DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

How is friendship between God and Moses demonstrated in this passage?

God clearly didn't want to be linked to the Israelites because they were a stiff-necked people. What do you think is meant by this phrase? How does being stiff-necked impede friendship with God? In what ways can you be stiff-necked and impede your relationship with God?

What do you think is the key difference between friendship with God in the Old Testament & friendship with God in the New Testament? Can you think of any New Testament Scriptures to support this?

Read John 15:15 What is a key difference between friendship & servanthood according to Jesus in this verse? How in your opinion is it better to do something as a friend than as a servant?

Read Hebrews 4:16 In what ways are you approaching God's throne with confidence & in what ways are you holding back? How should we go about becoming more confident in our praying?

'Some of our prayers are so wishy washy and ambiguous you would never even know if they've been answered'. Do you agree with this assessment of modern prayer?

APPLICATION

Matt left us with 6 ways in which we can brush up on our relationship with God

- 1) Meet with God face to face
- 2) Revere Him
- 3) Listen to God & find out what is on his heart
- 4) Rejoice at his Direction & his Correction
- 5) Have a pure heart & speak with grace
- 6) Love him unwaveringly, intimately & sacrificially

Share which one of these you would like to work on & then pray for one another