



## THEME:

Falling in Love with God > Philippians 1:9-11

## CONVERSATION:

1. Circle one: **Dating** is (A) a blast (B) incredibly awkward (C) valuable recon {information gathering} (D) frightening
2. Do you hope to get **married** someday? In a perfect world > when would you get married?
3. What are some essential **ingredients** in a good marriage?
4. What do you imagine will be some of the biggest **challenges** in loving someone else correctly?
5. Check out **1 John 4:7-8** >

**7** Dear friends, let us love one another, because love is from God, and everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. **8** The one who does not love does not know God, because God is love.

- a. We hear it all the time but > do you believe God **loves** you? How is that made **real** & tangible for you?
- b. What are some of the challenges we face in **knowing** & **loving** God?
  - i. Do you know anyone you'd say genuinely loves God? What have you seen in them that makes you feel that way?
  - ii. What are some common '**competing affections**' > some other god's we 'date' & give our hearts to?
  - iii. Do you agree with the thought > we need to spend time with Jesus, walking with him if we are to know him & love him.
  - iv. How can we spend time with & **walk** with Jesus?
  - v. Have you ever **followed** Jesus to a deeply right spot?
- c. If God is **love** & all who know him are **actively loving** (each other & him) > what **evidence** do you see in the world of people who 'know' God?

## RESPOND:

**Pray for each other** > pray about the struggles you and your friends are facing this week > pray about the **competing affections** that make it difficult for us to **know** & **love** God and keep us from pursuing what really matters most.

**When will we meet again?**