

OPENING PRAYER

- Commit your discussion to God.
- Ask Him to reveal Himself through His word.
- Pray for courage to live out our convictions.

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! 1 Chronicles 16:34

CONSIDERATION – Discussion Starters

- This has been a challenging time for all of us. However, it is likely you've also had a few 'high points' over the past week. Share something that made you laugh or feel loved this week.
- Was there 'low point' of your week? Please share.

In this study we will consider how Christians are called to abide in God & invite others to experience the Love of God shown to us in Jesus.

In this resource

1.CONSIDERATION – Discuss key questions of life and faith.

2. CONNECTION– Discover what the Bible says on these issues.

3. COMMITMENT – Map out how you will apply the truth of God's revealed will in the coming week.

4. COMMISSION – Decide to pass on what you have discovered this week through sharing and service.

CONNECTION – Seeking God through the Study of His Word

Join us at <u>Nebc.ch</u> this Sunday at 9:30am view the recording after 6pm.

Read 1 John 4:13-21 together with your group or family.

- What examples & evidence of abiding in God do we see in these verses?
- Verse 18 says there is no fear in love & perfect love casts out fear.
 - Describe the relationship between Love & Fear in those who abide in God.
 - Give an example for when you've been loved & it has defeated fear.

COMMITMENT – Personal Map for Application

- Have you been abiding in God recently? (Ex: Confessing Jesus, Trusting the Spirit of God, Resting in God's Love, Loving Others)
- How is God leading you to surrender your life to Jesus today?
 - Whether you are surrendering for the first time or have been walking with Jesus for years God wants to save you from sin, fear & defeat. Trust him to cast out your fears.

COMMISSION – Pass it on through Sharing and Service

- As you abide in God's love He will give you opportunity & longing to share His love with your family, friends & neighbors. Pray for your family by name. Pray for your neighbors by name. Pray for first responders & care givers. Pray for opportunities to honor God & speak of His son who is the only lasting hope for humanity.
- Reach out (Not Reckless but as Good Stewards of this Season)
 - This may be a virtual meeting, phone call, text or careful, care package.
- Invite people to join us for Easter Services on 4/12/20 at NEBC.ch

CLOSING PRAYER – List specific requests & pray for one another this week.