

Life Group Preparation Notes:

Run Together

Week 2: Run to Others!

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Note for the facilitator: We are increasingly aware of how important our own preparation is as the key to being able to be vulnerable in group as well as learning from what God is saying to one another through the Word that we are reading. Let's keep encouraging one another to anchor our lives in God.

Purpose: To show God's unfailing love to others with an extravagant outward demonstration towards others.

Worship: Listen to the song throughout the week or at group [Reckless Love by Bethel Music](#). Spend time reflecting on God's love for you and others!

Check-In: Share what became clearer this week about running together in unity as a group!

Bible Readings: Read the following in The Message and The Passion Translation: Ephesians 4:1-6; 1 Thessalonians 3:11-13; 1 John 4:19; Ephesians 3: 18-19; 1 John 4:7-9; John 13:34-35; Acts 20:22-24

Preparation and Discussion for Group Time:

1. What did God speak to you from our key verses in Ephesians or from Sunday's message that you are challenged or encouraged by to take into your week?
2. Read 1 John 4:19 and 1 John 4:17-19. We can only RUN in LOVE when we know our source. How does the Bible define love? How are you getting to know God daily - the source of love for us and others?
3. Allocate each of these sets of verses to read and comment on what they say about running together, loving God and loving others: 1 Thessalonians 3:11-13; Ephesians 3: 18-19; John 13:34-35; Acts 20:22-24
4. Share how you will SHOW God's love to others and what does GO mean for you personally.
5. We heard on Sunday a story of God's love for a family. Share your story of how God has loved you with one person. Not your salvation story, but a story of how you know and experience His love for you.

Prayer time and Check-out:

Thank God for His love for you. Be specific about how He has shown His love to you personally.

Commit to "show" God's love in the coming week.

Take time to pray for those you have been praying for that they would know God's love for them.

Daily Practices to follow:

- For personal study, here are some suggested YouVersion devotionals:
 - [The Love of God, reflections from 1 John 4: 7-21](#)
 - [Love God, Love People, Have Fun!](#)
 - [Real Hope, God's Love.](#)
 - [Encountering God's Love – Face to Face.](#)
 - [How God's love will change us!](#)
 - [God's Love.](#)

- **Memorize** 1 John 4:19 (TPT). Read this verse daily, and journal what God is saying to you about His love for you and for others.

Others:

Personal, your 1-one-1:

- What does 'show' and 'go' mean for you as you engage with those you are praying for?
- Christmas is less than 7 weeks away - this is an opportunity to begin to pray for those you will invite to join you at a service.
- Invite your friends and family to join you for church online at your home
<https://edgechurchedgemeaned.online.church/>
- You can book a seat for you, your invited friends and family by using this link
<https://edgechurch.co.za/edgemeaned/book-a-seat/>

Prayer:

- Employment: for those who have lost jobs and that are seeking new work opportunities.
- Financial break through and provision.
- Health for those facing cancer and other illnesses.
- Ministry teams: Courage, wisdom, energy to finish strong.
- Next Gen: Students with exams especially Matrics
- Leaders for strength and courage.
- Staff leadership: strength and wisdom (endurance) for during this season of re-opening and transition.