

Youth Discussion Guide

Adore You: For the week of April 12 - 18, 2020

Main Thought and Scripture:

Read after group on your own time Matthew 26-28 (NIV) and reflect on these chapters and Easter.

*"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."
(Romans 5:8 NIV)*

"There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because he first loved us." (1 John 4:18-19 NIV)

With popular music today, Harry Styles' song "Adore You" has gone as high as 6th on Billboard's Top 100. In the pre-chorus and the chorus, Harry sings "You don't have to say you love me. You don't have to say nothing. You don't have to say you're mine. Oh, honey I'd walk through fire for you. Just let me adore you. Like it's the only thing I'll ever do." This song may have been for a person that he truly cared for, but didn't feel the same way. Regardless, Harry would have done anything for this person, even walk through fire. God is the same way. Especially during this Easter weekend, we see that God would do anything for us so that we can have a relationship with Him, even if it meant sacrificing His son for us. Even if we didn't want it, God made the first move. Jesus "walked through fire" when He was crucified for our sins. God's actions allow us to be adopted into His family. This demonstrates His unconditional love for us. All we have to do is receive it and follow Him.

Discussion Questions:

- What stood out to you from the passages and main thought above? Why?
- SCENARIO: Think about a person you truly love and care for. Now think of a bunch of people you know that aren't perfect, even people that you would say are "bad people." Would you sacrifice the person you love to save all those "bad people"? Why or why not?
- In context of what was shared, did you know that our own sin (big or small) puts us in the same category as those "bad people"? That's how God sees it! Regardless, God sent His son Jesus to be sacrificed for our sins so that we can be made right with Him and be saved. He loves us that much. How do you feel about that? Explain why.

Prayer:

- Continue to pray for the eradication of COVID-19.
- Pray that we take to heart what Jesus did on Easter.
- Pray that we would go to others to share God's gospel of His unconditional love with others who need it.