



**WEEK 88 | "Stewarding The Father's Love" | 6/14/26-6/20/26**

**LOOK BACK: TESTIMONIES & GOALS/ACCOUNTABILITY RECAP:** *As you look back over last week, what steps did you take to meet your action goals from your last meeting? Also, did you love on people by praying with someone, sharing your testimony with them, disciplining them, or sharing God's story with them?*

**LOOK UP:** *A few weeks ago we looked at the Parable of the Talents in Matthew 25. I would like us to dive into this a little more, but now specifically in regard to our stewardship of the Father's Love. Jesus commands us in John 13:34 and John 15:9-10 - to obey His command to love in the same way Jesus showed His love to us. This is reiterated in 1 John 3:16 - when we are given the command to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters in the same way Jesus laid down His life for us. These Scriptures give us insight into the stewardship the Father is looking to have from us. And as with Christ, this stewardship of love requires mercy and forgiveness towards others...even our enemies! And the promise is that if we live this out well, our heavenly Father will perfect His love in us (1 Jn 4:12). That is a great reward for being a faithful steward to the love He has lavished on us!*

**GROUP PRAYER POINTS:**

- 1. Read 1 John 4:7-12 Evaluate how you are currently stewarding the Love and Forgiveness that Jesus stewarded so well towards us as He received the Father's love. Discuss with the group and consider what you are doing well and consider ways you could improve or people you may need to forgive.**
- 2. In reference to 1 John 4:12, how have you seen the Love of God perfected in your life when you have walked in obedience and stewardship to God's love by loving and forgiving others?**
- 3. Read Luke 6:27-36 Spend some time discussing how counter-cultural these words of Jesus are. What stands out to you? What are some areas of your love-walk with Jesus towards others that may need some work? Spend some time praying into this and asking the Holy Spirit to help you to LOVE your enemies, DO GOOD to those who hate you, BLESS those who curse you, and PRAY for those who mistreat you.**

**LOOK FORWARD: SET GOALS & ACCOUNTABILITY:** *Spend time together in prayer.*

- (1) Where is the Holy Spirit calling you to grow or obey this week? Write down one specific step and be ready to share next week.**
- (2) Who can you encourage, pray for, serve, or share Jesus with this week?**
- (3) Who could you begin disciplining or inviting into an FDG, and what obstacle do you need prayer for?**

**PURPOSE OF FDG's:**

*To raise up disciple-making believers who follow Jesus by experientially teaching others to walk in His ways.*