

First Study

God's Love for us

Study guide

The purpose of this study is to help someone begin to see how much God loves them and wants a relationship with them. For many, this may be their first time in any kind of Bible study. Be patient and compassionate! The goal is for them to see God in a new light and want to keep studying! Please be sure to review the series introduction sheet and put all of it into practice. Remember, It's the Word of God that moves the heart. We are simply the messenger.

“What is your view of God at this point in your life?” Expect just about anything in response! Depending on their background and past, God is the greatest thing in their life, the worst, or anything in between. Listen! It will guide you through studying with them and helping them.

1. **“God came down to us through Jesus.”** The key thing here is that God made himself known to us through Jesus. God wanted to actually be with us! Be sure to share personally what that means to you.
“How Jesus touches people” Look at the 4 examples and choose a couple you can most relate to. The more relatable you make this, the better!
2. **“God reached out to us through Jesus”** This was God making efforts toward us!
3. **“He sacrificed Jesus for us”** A love without boundaries! Share how this makes you feel!
4. **“God desires a relationship with us through Jesus”** This is a similar and supporting point. God doesn't simply want to acknowledge us, he wants to be intimately close with us.
5. **“God speaks to us”** explain that the message in the word is clear. We need to pay attention! Explain the importance of the Bible being your standard. What does that mean to you personally? When we read Jesus' words, we hear God's voice.
6. **“Begin reading John 1-5.”** This is a great place to begin. John gives us a picture of God's heart through the life of Christ. Share what you have learned through your reading and studying.

Pray hard and be faithful!!!