



**Dig Deeper @Home – “Mistaken Identities”  
Complement to sermon on 8/11/2019 – “Loved”**

**ICE BREAKER – ask these to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered**

1. Share highs and lows of the past week.
2. When did you feel loved this week? When did you feel not loved?

**MEMORIZE – 2 Corinthians 1:20**

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

**READ – Read Jeremiah 30:12 – 31:1**

**Questions to ponder/discuss:**

1. What captured your attention in these scriptures?
2. What bothers you or makes you uncomfortable about these verses? Why?
3. What do these verses say about God?
4. What do these verses say about people?
5. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life?
6. According to 2 Corinthians 1:20, all the promises of Jeremiah 30:12-31:1 find their yes in Christ. Look again at each promise and dwell on how these are yes in Christ (and only in Christ). Does this understanding cause you to shift your expectation of these promises? In what way?

## **Experiential: The Love of Christ**

It is one thing to know that Christ loves us it is another to receive His love. If we are honest, there are all kinds of reasons we can come up with to think we don't deserve God's love. And truthfully, we don't deserve his love. That's not the lie. But the refining truth is that our God is a God of love and mercy; And this changes everything. This means we can receive God's love not because we are worthy or deserving but because he is all merciful, all loving and full of grace. So, use the space below or in a journal write down all the reasons you tell yourself that you don't deserve God's love. Perhaps your actions, thoughts, attitudes, motives, secret sin, not so secret sin ... whatever it is, write it down. Then spend time reading and dwelling on 1<sup>st</sup> John 4: 9-14 and Romans 5: 6-11. Let these truths wash away the reasons you wrote down for why you don't deserve God's love. And as you go over each one, cross them out because God enables you to live free from them by the blood of Jesus Christ. After, use the songs below to spend time worshipping this amazing God of love.

## **SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing)**

Reckless Love - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sc6SSHuZvQE>

God Only Knows - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fhS83a5Ky84>

I stand Amazed in the Presence – Mennonite Hymnal #540

## **PRAY**

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

## **Sending prayer based on the lesson:**

As you go through your week may you live as one who stands without blemish in the glorious presence of God. May He increase your desire and effort to faithfully and obediently follow Him and keep you from falling.