

First Study
God's Love for Us!

Question: "What is your view of God at this point in your life"?

1. **God came down to us through Jesus!**

John 1:1-18 Key Points:

Verse 1 – Jesus is called the Word; he was with God the Father, and himself was God.

Verse 14 – The Word became a man, but a unique man who was also God.

Verse 18 – Jesus came to reveal God to us, to show us what God is really like.

Let's look at "how God loves us" through Jesus (use some or all of these Scriptures).

How does Jesus touch people?

- Woman caught in adultery – **Jn. 8:1-11**
- Jesus washed the disciple's feet – **Jn. 13:1-15** (showed full extent of his love)
- Leper – **Lk. 5:12-13** – the compassion of Jesus (touching a leper)
- Rich young ruler – **Mk. 10:17-27** – Jesus spoke the truth in love.

2. **God reached out to us through Jesus!**

1 John 4:9-10 (God deeply desires a relationship with us – this study is more about Him seeking us than about us seeking Him)

3. **He sacrificed Jesus for us!**

Romans 5:6-8, 1 Peter 2:21-25 (God held nothing back for our sake).

4. **God desires a relationship with us through Jesus**

John. 3:16-17, John 17:1-3

5. **God speaks to us!**

Through the Bible.

2 Timothy 3:14-17 (through ALL Scripture)

2 Peter 1:12-21 (All from God! Our standard, MUST hold on to it)

Hebrews 4:12-13 (The Bible reveals our true hearts)

Romans 10:17 (Bible develops a faith in Jesus)

Through Jesus

Hebrews 1:1-3 (God speaks to us through Jesus)

John 12: 47-50 (Jesus speaks the very words of God)

1 Thessalonians 2:13 (The message of Jesus is found in the Bible which is the Word of God).

6. **Assignment: Read John chapters 1-5**

Answer the question: "What did you learn about God in the study and in the assignment that changes your view of Him?"