

Life in the Spirit
Seminar #1

God's Love

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.” (John 3:16)

- I. God is someone we can get in contact with, someone who loves us, wants to be in a personal relationship with us, and wants to give us a better life.
 - A. Misconceptions of Christianity can be an obstacle to our finding this better life through Christ.
 - 1. Restrictive morality
 - 2. Just loving your neighbor
 - 3. God as someone we can't make contact with
 - B. The truth is :
GOD LOVES US, AND WANTS TO GIVE US A BETTER LIFE
 - C. We can experience a better life as a result of Christianity.

*Come to the water all you who are thirsty, though you have no money come!
Why spend your money on what is not bread, your wages on what will not satisfy?*

*Listen, listen to me and you will have good things to eat, rich foods to enjoy.
Pay attention, come to me; listen and your soul will live.*

With you I will make an everlasting covenant because of my steadfast love.

Isaiah 55

- II. The Life in the Spirit seminars will help you to allow Jesus to establish, restore, or deepen a relationship with you.
 - A. Everyone can experience a change.
 - B. The Life in the Spirit Seminar is only the beginning.

- III. You can begin right away to turn to the Lord
 - A. The Lord will reach out to you, but you must reach out to the Lord.

I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope. When you call to me and come to me in prayer, I will listen. When you seek me, you will find me.

Jeremiah 29

- B. Starting tonight: **PRAY, READ, MEDITATE**

Discussion questions:

- 1. What things make you feel the most need for Christ?
- 2. What made you decide to come to Life in the Spirit Seminar?