

## Questions for Discussion and Application

1. From your experience, what makes the Church the Most Loving Place on Earth? What makes it fall short from this goal?
2. From this passage, how does John explain how one can be an unconditional lover for God – what is the motive, the model, and the means?
3. Share with the group, what you think would happen if the Church Became the Most Loving Place on Earth? What does that look like to you?
4. What is your role in making the Church the Most Loving Place on Earth? What steps do you need to take?

*Drawing Closer: Fostering Fellowship with the Father (A Study of 1 John)*

### “The Most Loving Place on Earth”

1 John 4:7-21

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#### **I. The Church is the Most Loving Place on Earth.**

- a. John’s Commands Us to Love One Another.
- b. Jesus Commands Us to Love One Another.

#### **II. Because God is Love.**

- a. God is NOT Only Love
- b. God Loves in Everything He Does – even in Suffering.
- c. The Cross Reveals God’s Love in Suffering.

#### **III. Because We are the People of God (Who Love).**

- a. We are Born Again.
- b. We are Given New Life.
- c. We are Given a New Identity.
- d. History of the Early Church Loving.

#### **IV. Our Role to Love in our Church .**

- a. Men – to take Risks.
- b. Women – to take Risks.