

LOVE SERIES

Group discussion notes _ Week 4 _ A NEW WAY TO LIVE

INTRODUCTION

At the heart of the 'new' Jesus introduced is the understanding that he never intended for his followers to 'try harder'.

"All this trying leads up to the vital moment at which you turn to God and say, 'You must do this, I can't.'"
(C.S Lewis – *Mere Christianity*)

And so it follows that to love others and to spread the newness of this Jesus-life is only possible when it is fuelled by the working of the Holy Spirit deep in our hearts.

START THE CONVERSATION

We have all heard the saying, "Rules are meant to be broken!"

Q.: *What do you think about rules in general? Are they to be followed to the letter or do you think there are exceptions? Elaborate.*

GOING DEEPER

READ TOGETHER: John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Q.: *Is anyone excluded or disqualified when it comes to Jesus' declaration about the extent and effect of God's love and redemptive work through his Son?*

Q.: *How do we 'tap into' this love (see John 13:33-34)?*

PRAY TOGETHER

Pray that we would completely surrender to Jesus as the source of Love and that this Love may spill over to those around us who desperately need him.
