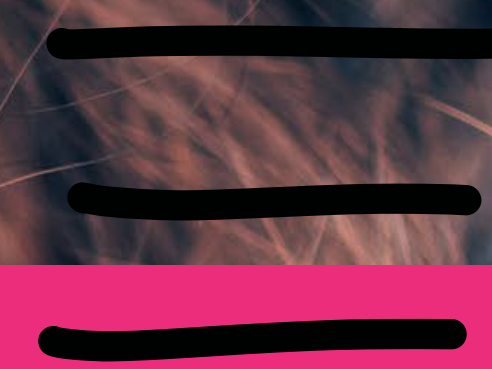




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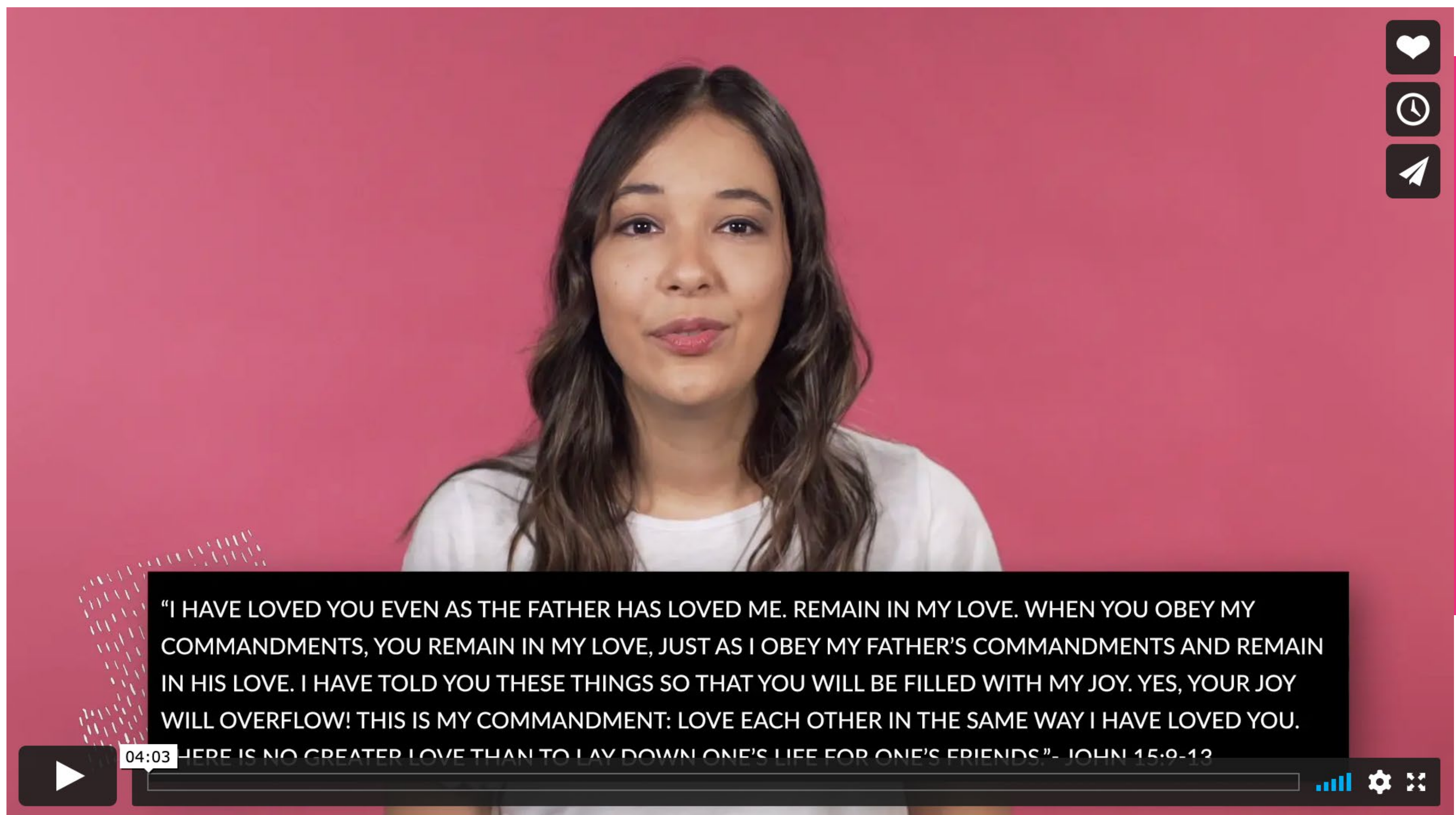
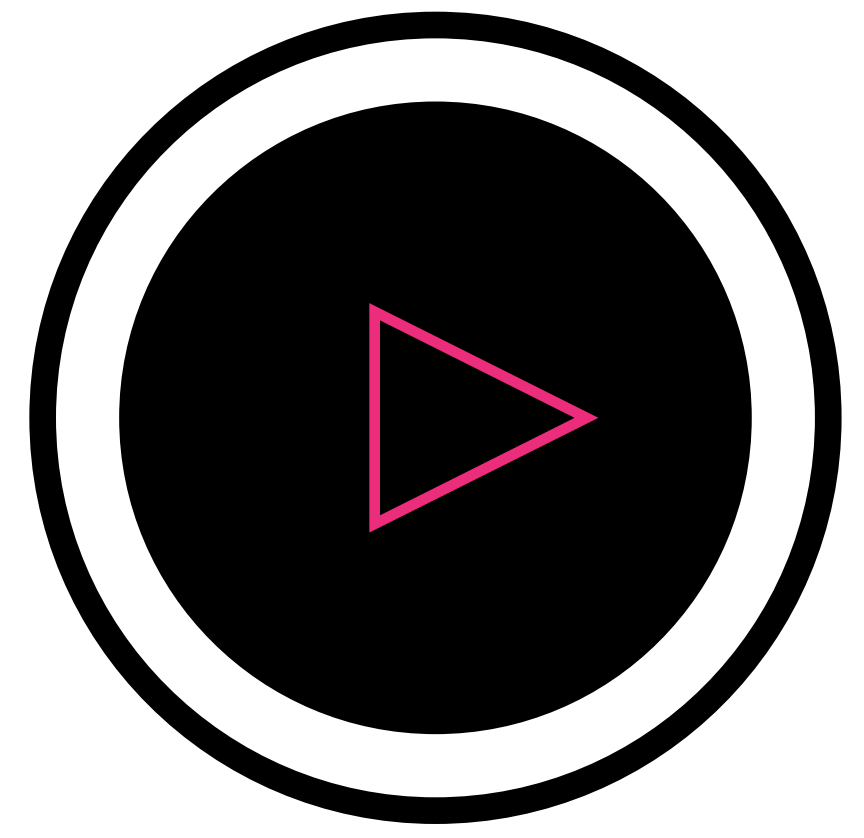


GOD'S LOVE

LESSON 1



VIDEO



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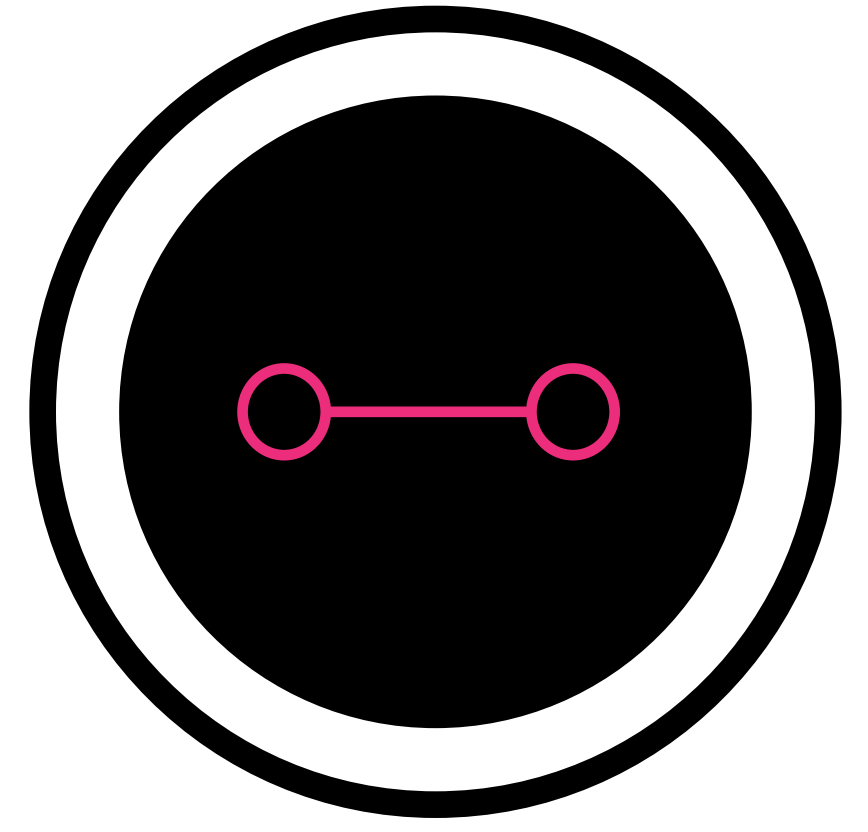
01 As you were thinking about the questions asked before the video, what stood out to you?

02 Where have you seen people turn to find an understanding of love?

03 What does the word “glorify” mean?

04 Jesus links love to obedience but not as a way to earn God’s love. How would you describe the connection between loving God and obeying him?

05 How would your relationships with others change if you received God’s love and demonstrated it in the ways God exemplifies it?



For **the Father loves the Son** and shows him everything he is doing...

John 5:20a

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I will **do** what the Father requires of me, **so that** the world will know that **I love the Father...**

John 14:31

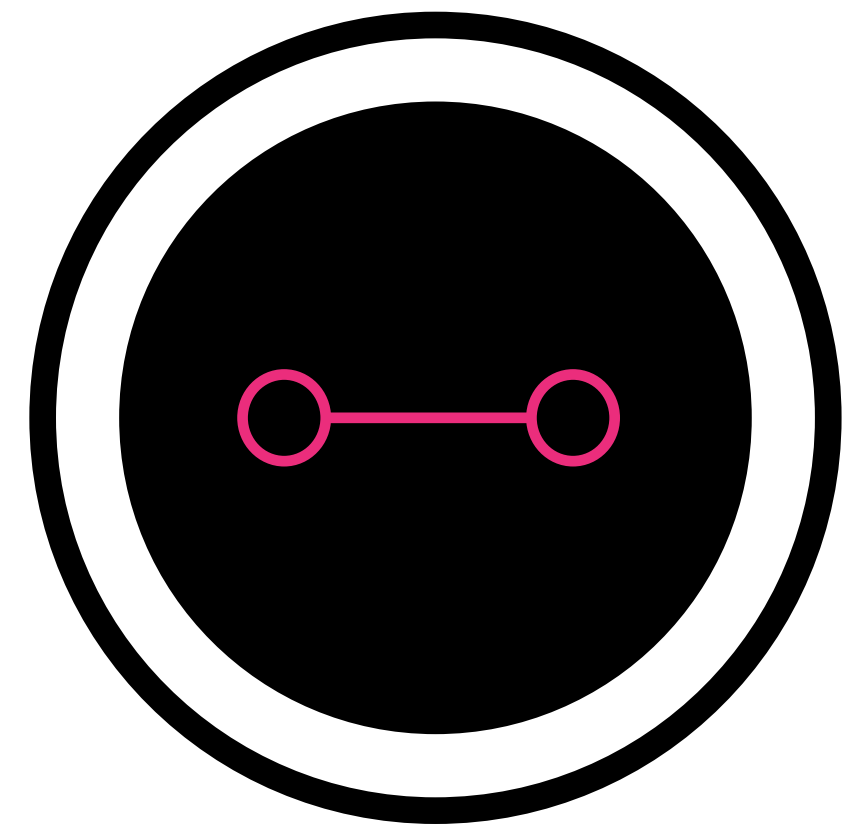
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I brought glory to you here on earth by completing the work you gave me to do. Now, Father, **bring me into the glory we shared before the world began.**

John 17:4-5

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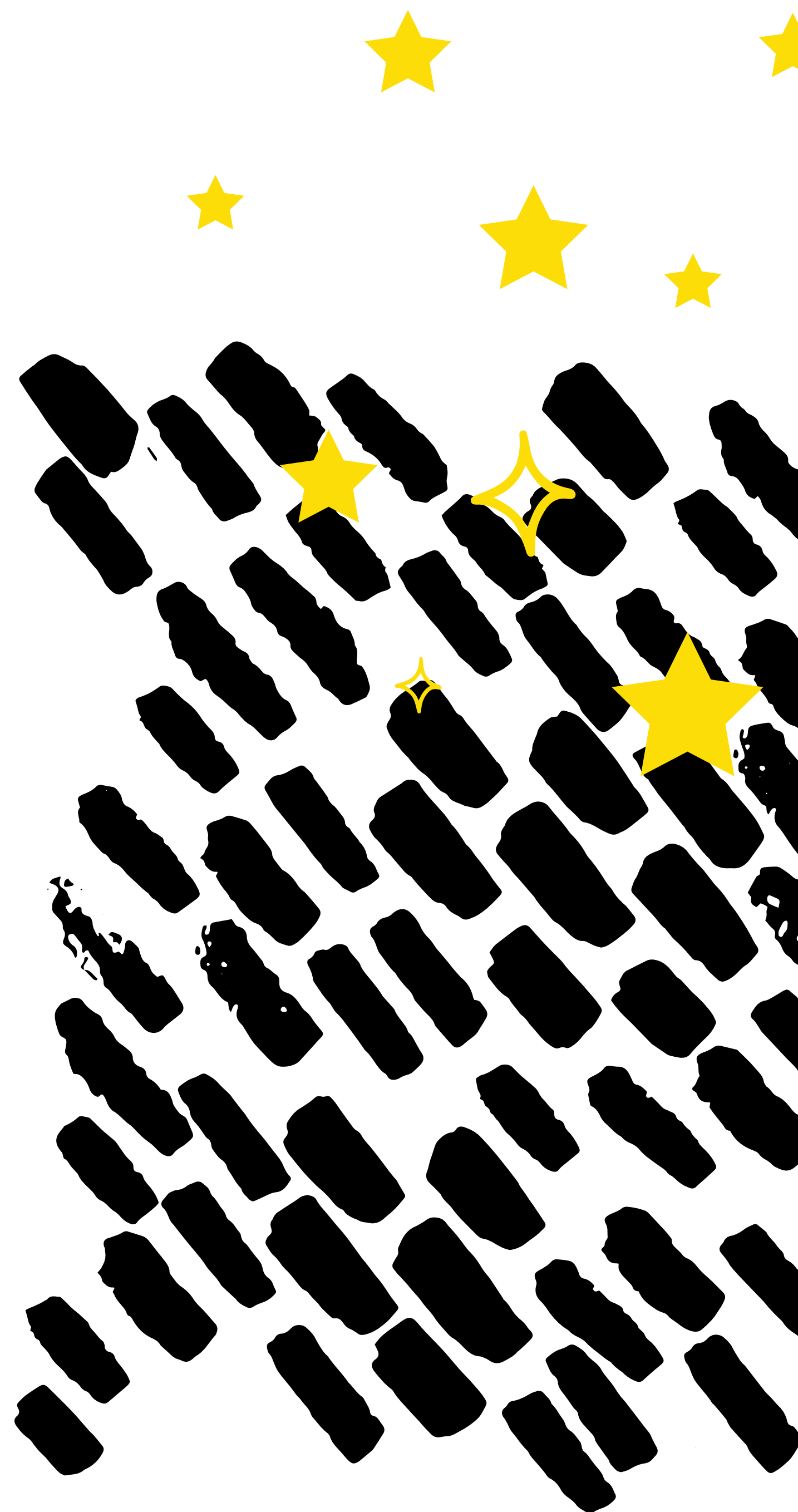




When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future. **He will bring me glory by telling you whatever he receives from me.** All that belongs to the Father is mine; this is why I said, 'The Spirit will tell you whatever he receives from me.'

John 16:13-15

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Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for **love comes from God**. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God, for **God is love. God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son** into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. **This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.**

1 John 4:7-10

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I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. **When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love.** I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow! This is my commandment: **Love each other in the same way I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.** You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you slaves because a master doesn't confide in his slaves. Now you are my friends, since I have told you everything the Father told me. You didn't choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask for, using my name. **This is my command: Love each other.**

John 15:9-17

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What are some characteristics of God we find in the passages above?

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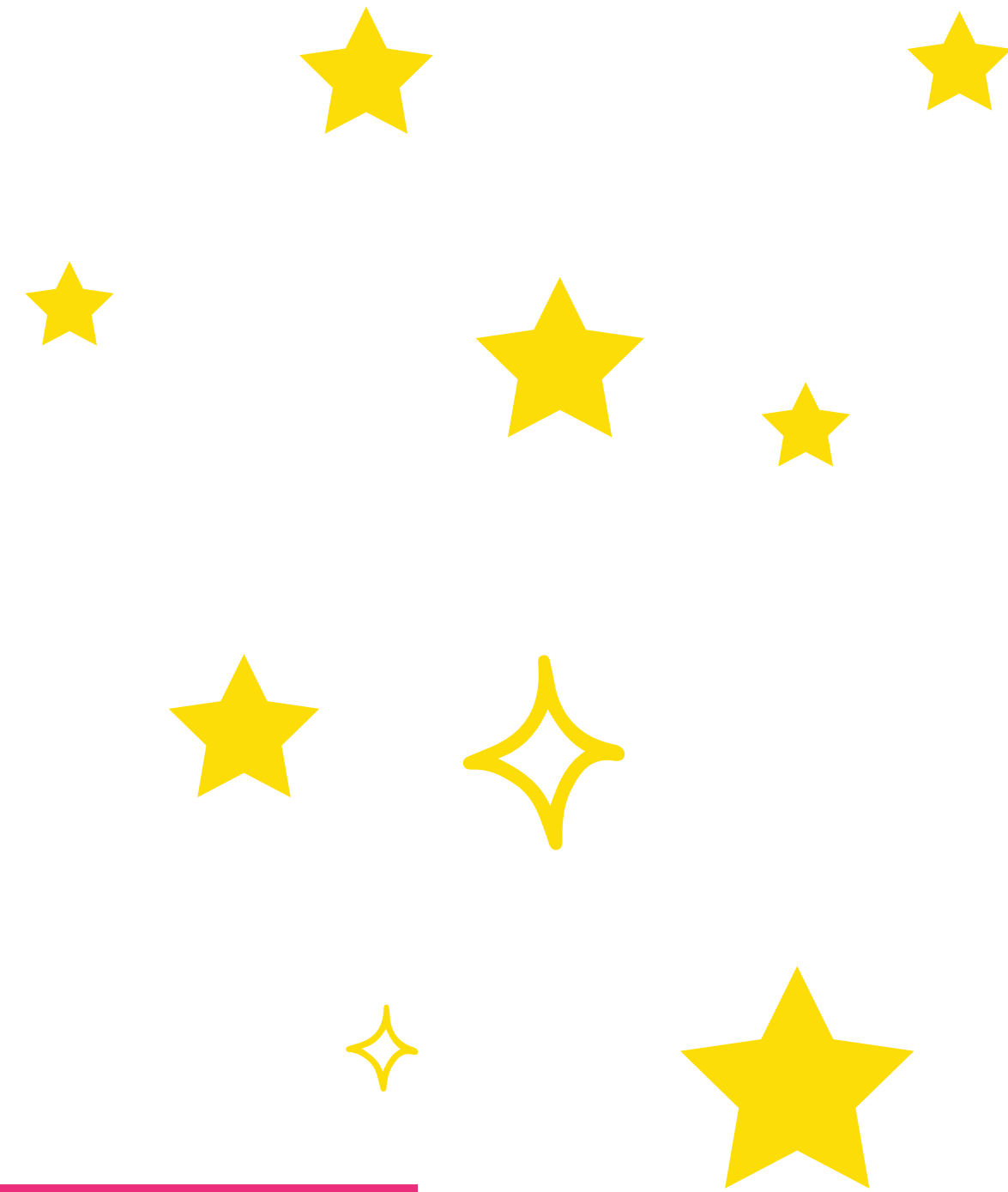
How do the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit glorify each other?

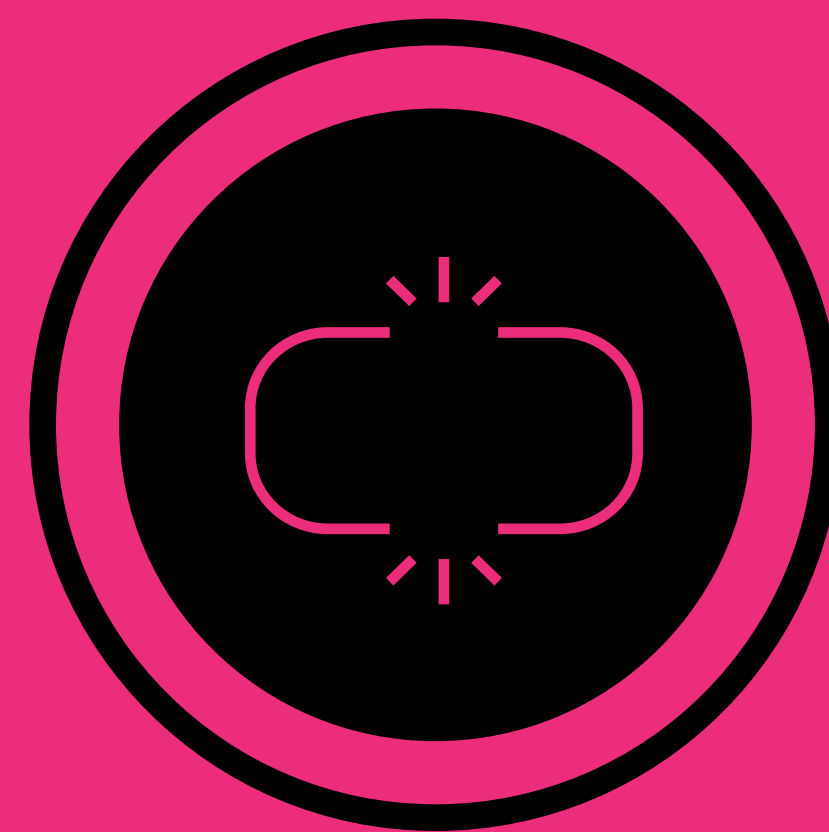
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Based on the Scripture we've read, what are some words you would use to describe real love?

04

How is love related to obedience?
How is love related to sacrifice?





01

How would you describe God's love to a friend who imagines God to be angry, judgmental, or harsh?

02

The Father and the Son pursued one another's glory, and in turn, each was glorified. Can this work in earthly relationships? How can pursuing someone else's joy lead to your joy?

03

God loved us before we loved him. Do you wait for others to show you love first, or are you willing to be the first one to move toward other people in love?

04

Why do you obey God? Are you motivated by fear, or do you obey out of love and thankfulness? How would a shift in your perspective change your pursuit of doing the right thing?

05

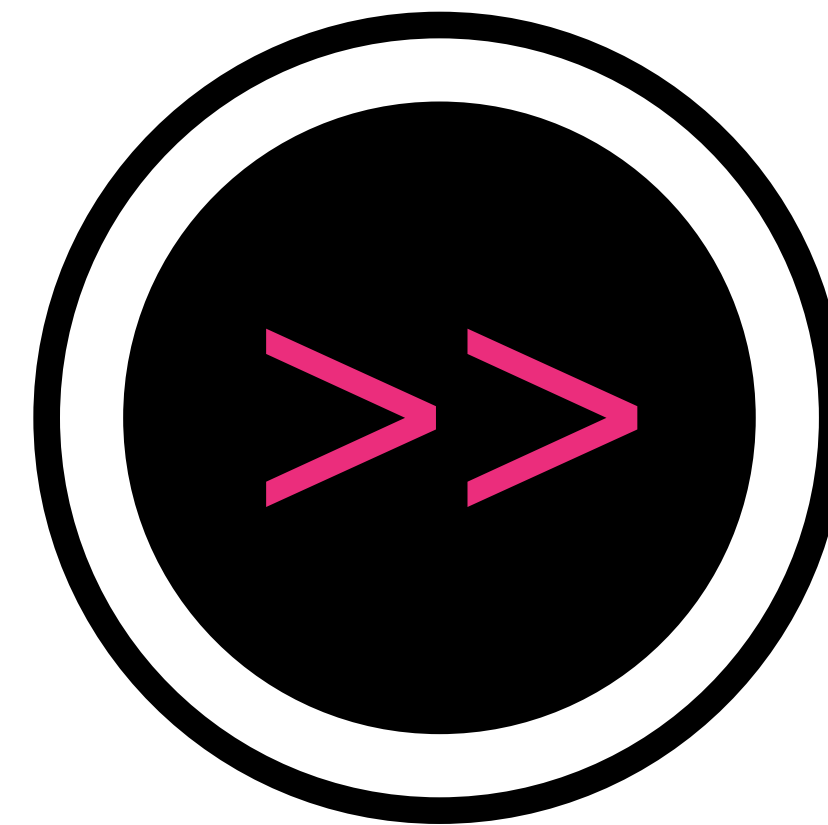
Has anyone ever made a sacrifice for you? How did that make you feel? How did you treat that person in return?



Q: WHO ARE THE THREE PERSONS OF THE ONE TRIUNE GOD?

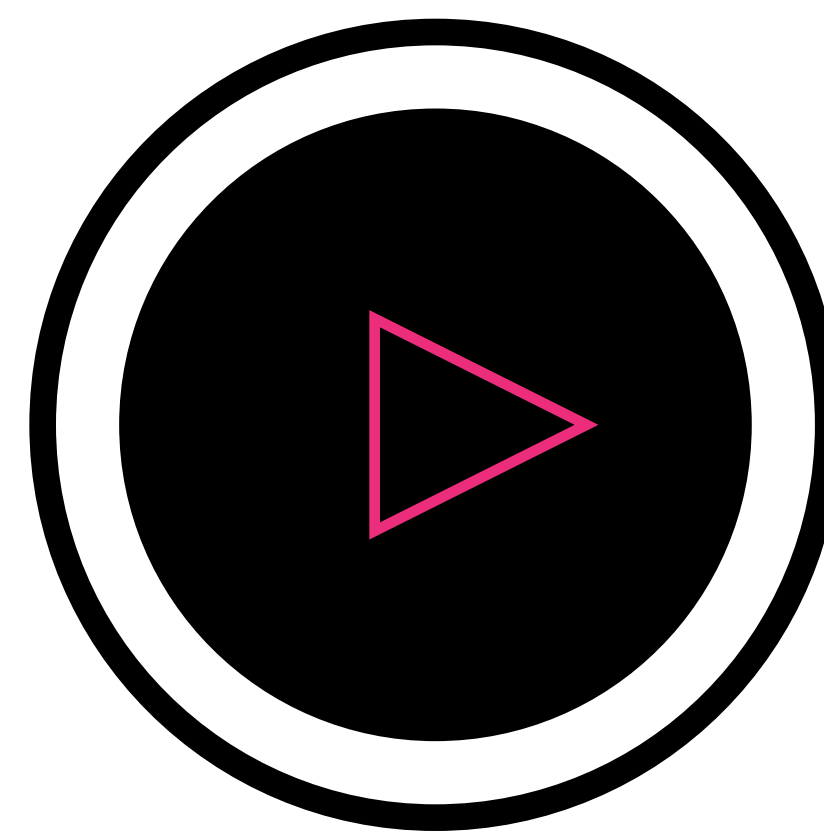
A: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Each Person is fully God, and they are equal in goodness, wisdom, and power.





- If you haven't thought of God as loving before, ask him to show you the depths of his love. Read Ephesians 3:17-19. Today and throughout this week, spend time praying and journaling about these verses.
- Be honest. Would those closest to you, like your siblings and close friends, describe you as someone who obeys God and loves them sacrificially? Why or why not? Ask God to reveal areas of sin in your life, and trust him to lovingly lead you in obedience. Look for ways to pursue the good of others before your own and demonstrate the love of Jesus.

NEXT STEPS



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