

WEEKLY STUDY GUIDE

ICEBREAKER

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CONTEXT

In our THINK series, we are exploring the connection between right thinking, right living, and right loving. We believe peace is possible by taking our thoughts captive and bringing them under the submission of Jesus. Today, we will talk about how thinking about what is lovely will impact our lives in significant ways.

PASSAGE

Philippians 4:8-9

DISCUSS

- What are some examples of 'lovely' things in creation that can help point us towards the Creator?
- Which specific aspects of creation have personally helped you feel more connected to God?
- How can we avoid the pitfall of loving creation more than the Creator?
- Can you identify any areas of your own life where you might be loving the created things more than God? How can you adjust your focus?
- How does thinking on what is lovely contribute to loving God and others more deeply?
- What practical steps can you take to reflect

DISCUSS CONTINUED

on what is lovely in your daily life and how can this impact your relationships with God and others?

- What are some aspects of Jesus' character that you find particularly beautiful and why?
- How can reflecting on these aspects of Jesus' character help you grow in your walk with God and your relationships with others?
- How does focusing on the beauty of Christ relate to the greatest commandment in Matthew 22:34-40?
- In what ways can you actively and intentionally commit to loving God in these ways, allowing the beauty of Christ to guide your thoughts and actions?

PRAYER

- Pray for God's guidance and strength to apply the sermon to our lives throughout the coming week
- Pray for a renewed love for God, that we may prioritize Him above worldly desires
- Pray for a deeper love for others, treating them as Christ would

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