



Season of Love
Message 1

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► **Outline**

And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born.

Luke 2:6 (NLT)

God's love is...

1. Expressed through _____.
(Matthew 1:22-23; John 3:16; Romans 5:6-8; 1 John 4:9-10)

2. Extended through _____.
(Matthew 1:20-21; Luke 2:10-11,30-32; 1 John 4:13-19)

3. Evidenced by love for _____.
(John 15:13; Ephesians 5:1-2; 1 John 4:7-8,11-12,20-21)

Answers: 1. incarnation 2. salvation 3. others

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit brookwoodchurch.org/adults.

Conversation Starter

What makes you feel loved?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Ask God to help you experience His love and hear His voice as you reflect on this week's lesson.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read [Matthew 1:18-25](#).

1. Why is it significant that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit?
2. For what purpose was Jesus sent to earth?
3. How is the birth of Jesus an expression of God's love for you?

Read [1 John 4:7-21](#).

4. Which verse is most significant to you? Why?
5. What ways has God shown His love to us according to this passage?
6. What signs demonstrate that a person has embraced God's love?
7. What effect does it have on you to hear that God sent His only Son to be with you and sacrifice His life for your sins, so you can experience eternal life?
8. What in your life indicates that you have yet to fully comprehend how much God loves you?

9. What step can you take to grow in understanding of how much God loves you?

Spiritual Practice

Spiritual Practices help us experience the Holy Spirit's work in our lives. They're meant to be more than one-time actions, becoming a natural part of our lives.

Ask God to help you understand the love He showed you through the gift of His Son Jesus. If you read the Daily Readings below, ask Him that question before reading each day. Spend a moment in silence to see what thoughts He brings to your mind, then write your response to God.

Memory Verse

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. [1 John 4:9 \(NLT\)](#)

Daily Reading

- Day 1: [Matthew 1:18-25](#) Day 4: [Ephesians 5:1-2](#)
Day 2: [1 John 4:7-21](#) Day 5: [John 15:12-13](#)
Day 3: [Romans 5:6-8](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

Sunday, December 13, we'll continue the *Experiencing Christmas* series with a message on *Joy*. To prepare, read [Luke 1:46; 2:10](#), and [Matthew 2:10](#).



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