STUDY GUIDE

LOVE JESUS 11.15.2015

[set up]

The person of Jesus Christ stands infinitely above anyone that has ever lived. After Jesus as the most significant person in history, who is your number 2 person?

How do you measure the worth of a person?

Can your conceptions of Jesus be increased?

[digging deeper]

What do you think is Paul's message to the Colossians in this section of the letter? (Colossians 1:15-23)

- What makes Jesus unique according to Paul?
- According to Paul, who is Jesus?

Why is it important that we know that Jesus Christ has always existed?

How is Christ displayed as the head of your church?

Why is it important that we realize that Christ is supreme, sufficient, and enough?

What does it mean to you that you have a Savior in whom you can have faith and trust?

How is the Church strong when it is in Christ?

How do you feel that Christ the Creator and Redeemer is in charge of you and your church? What does this mean to you?

How and why have there been misunderstandings of the words "son" and "firstborn?" Why would people want to argue that Christ is not fully God?

How do you display Christ in your personal life? In your church? How should you?

What can you do to better focus on Christ? How will this help you know Him better? How would this then help you in all the other parts of life?

What does it mean to "reconcile"?

- What are the three descriptions of our lives *before* being reconciled to God through Jesus?
- What are the three descriptions of our lives *after* being reconciled to God through Jesus?

[living it out]

How can we apply this section of the letter to the Colossians to our life today?

How can we pray for each other to help us apply what we are discovering? (This can be done as an entire group together or in smaller groups of 3).