newlife SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

Drenched in Love

1 John 3:1

Discussion Points April 26, 2020

Read/Explore

1. Read 1 John 3:1 What stands out to you? What parts of this passage speak specifically to the reality you/we are experiencing right now?

Reflect/Discuss

- 2. If you were ever in the Cadet or GEMS/Calvinettes program, share a highlight of the time you spent in ministry. Who were the leaders that walked alongside you?
- 3. Describe a time when you realized you were drenched (lavished) with the Love of God.
- 4. Is it important to you that these kinds of very specific action words like *lavish* are used to describe God's love for us? Why?
- Discuss the potential ramifications of doubting that God loves us in this way.
 If you feel comfortable Share an example of how this might have manifested itself in your own life.
- 6. What are the blessings of a covenant community that have the most impact on you? What are the aspects of church life that remind you that you are part of Gods family?
- 7. What evidence can you see in the last year that you are "growing in glory"? Share your reflections even if they are "2 step forward and 3 steps back stories".
- 8. Share about a time in your life where you had to hold on to the hope of Jesus Christ because you had nothing else.

Pray

- Give God praise for the GEMS and Cadets programs at New Life.
- Give God praise for the love that he lavishes on us.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to renew an astonished realization of his lavish love for us.
- Ask the Lord to reveal those in our lives that need to be reminded of God's lavish love for them.

