

LOVE & WAR Small Group Discussion Guide

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Getting Started:

What was one way you served someone last week?

Diving in:

“The secret of life is this—we are here in order to learn how to love.”
(page 195)

“I think we all look for love to come in dramatic ways. [Yet] love plays itself out in what seems like such unremarkable ways—you pick up your socks, you ignore her snarky comment, you put the toilet seat down. But that is exactly what makes it epic—the fact that love plays itself out in a thousand little choices, unseen and without supporting soundtrack.”
(page 198)

“We are going to need a very compelling reason to lay down our lives, day after day, year after year. What could be more compelling than this? When we abandon ourselves to love, we find ourselves closer to the one who is always doing that himself. We find God.”
(page 207)



What have you learned about love since getting married?

Focusing on your spouse's actions & values...

What are some little/unseen ways in which your spouse loves you?

What are some little/unseen ways in which you could begin loving your spouse?

Can you describe a time when you sacrificed something (time, energy, opportunity...) for the sake of your spouse or your marriage?

How has your picture of love/sacrifice in marriage affected your understanding of God's love/sacrifice for you?