

4. In which countries or religions does God limit God's love?
5. Who is left out of the love described when God so loves the world—the whole world?
6. How would we live if the quantity of that love was understood to be limited?
7. How should we live if the quantity of that love is understood to be abundant?
8. How do you live amidst the amount of love that you think is present in your personal life and in our collective world?
9. True or false:
 - a. It doesn't matter what I think about God loving me, humanity, or this world.
 - b. God will withhold love from those who live in darkness.
 - c. God sent Jesus to save the good people and to condemn all others.
 - d. God wants the very best for all of humanity.



*Touching heaven, changing earth
with head, heart and hands*

Sunday, March 12, 2017
John 3:1-17

We offer these questions for reflection during the service or during your week. Ponder them yourself, or discuss them with friends. Many small groups use them for discussion; if you would like to participate in a group, visit www.laumc.org/grouplife.

“For God so loved the world...”

It was God's love that reached out to the slaves in Egypt and led them to freedom. It was God's love that encouraged the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church South (after a schism having to do with slavery, in 1844) to become reunited as The Methodist Church in 1939. It is God's love that raises up prophets to challenge the status quo. It is God's love that gives hope to the poor in spirit, those who mourn, and those who need to be comforted.

1. What is God's powerful love doing now amidst your personal life?
2. What is God's powerful love doing now amidst the many social issues of our world?
3. In what situation(s) do you pray that God's powerful love will become evident?

