

Bulletin Outline: Week 4 Love in Action

Key Verse:

Luke 1:38 – "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her."

Big Idea:

God's love isn't just something we receive—it's something we respond to with action.

Main Points:

1. The Call to Live Out Love:

- Mary's response to God's love shows that true love involves faith and action.
- God's love empowers us to love others selflessly and sacrificially.

2. The Challenge of Loving Others:

- We often struggle with selfishness or fear, but God calls us to step beyond our comfort zones.
- Luke 1:38 and John 15:12-13 remind us that love requires surrender and sacrifice.

3. Putting Love Into Action:

- Say "yes" to God's invitation to love others in specific, practical ways.
- Reflect God's love daily by practicing kindness, patience, and forgiveness.

Call to Action:

Ask God who He is calling you to love this week. Commit to one tangible act of love, such as serving a neighbor, volunteering, or reconciling with someone.

Closing Thought:

God's love isn't just for us to receive—it's a calling to step into His mission and reflect His love to others.

TALK IT OVER

Discuss these questions with someone – maybe a family member, friend, or member of your LifeGroup. Use a communication method that works best for your situation.

Reflect:

- Who has shown you God's love through their actions? How did it impact you?
- Read Luke 1:38. How does Mary's response challenge you to say "yes" to God's love and calling?

Discuss:

- Why is it often difficult to live out love in action? What holds us back?
- What are some practical ways you can show God's love to others during this season?
- How does receiving God's love inspire you to give it away?

Apply:

This week, choose one of these steps to live out love in action:

- 1. Pray: Ask God to show you who needs His love through you this week.
- 2. Act: Serve someone in need—help a neighbor, volunteer, or show kindness in a specific way.
- 3. Reflect: Spend time meditating on Luke 1:38 and ask God how you can surrender to His plans of love.

Pray Together:

"Lord, thank You for Your perfect love. Help us to say 'yes' to Your call and live out love in our words and actions. Empower us to reflect Your heart to those around us this week. Amen."