

## **LOVE**

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another... (John 13:34)

- Internal: How was your week...anything new?! How was your walk with the Lord this week?
- External: Is there any individual or family who is struggling or needs encouragement from us?

## **TRUTH**

Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another... (Col. 3:16)

- 1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you?
- 2. Let's read our primary text. If this were the first chapter that you ever read of the Bible, what observations might you have about the Bible from just these opening verses?
- 3. Who were the political and religious leaders mentioned at the beginning of Luke 3, and why is this significant?
- 4. Luke sees it fitting to look back to the prophet Isaiah. Why is it so important for us, as readers of the Bible, to look back as Luke instructs us here?
- 5. What was John's central message? How does his message rightly shape our view of baptism?
- 6. What types of people was John interacting with? How did he address each of them?
- 7. What does John mean by saying Jesus will "baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire"?
- 8. How is Jesus' baptism another evidence of the Trinity?
- 9. Any other thoughts you would like to share before we wrap up this text?

## **GREAT COMMISSION**

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)

- Did you disciple your family well this week? Is it apparent to others that Jesus the reason for your hope in your daily activity? Would anyone like to share the gospel with the group?

## **CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE**

But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today,"... (Heb. 3:12-14)

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Is there anything you want to confess before the group? [apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply His word to our lives, putting to death sinful desires.