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What is something you could talk about forever?

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The Squad that Learns Together

Sometimes love leads to learning, and other times learning leads to love. Consider the typical procedure of someone who has a crush. If they have not yet built up the courage to speak to their crush, what do they usually do? They ask around. They gather all the useful information and research they can to learn about the one they are head-over-heels about. Many church groups are formed to learn about Jesus with the common recognition that love is the foundation that started it all. In fact, love *leads* to great learning.

On the other hand, learning can lead to love. Consider the wise men, who, after much study journeyed to find the baby Jesus. This led them to the place where the baby was born. It also led them to their knees in loving adoration of the true Lord. Before this moment, they were “pagans from the east,” which is another title for polytheists (those who worship many gods). Due to their learning, they fell in love with God.

This love and learning, learning and love, have become the lifeblood of churches all around the world. Many have discovered that without groups that learn, the Church may never become all that God intended it to be. After all, how can we worship God if we do not know about God?

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LOVE TO LEARN, LEARN TO LOVE

WHAT WAS YOUR STARTING POINT WITH JESUS? WAS IT LOVE FIRST, STUDY LATER? OR STUDY FIRST, LOVE LATER?

HOW ABOUT TODAY? DO YOU FIND LEARNING ABOUT GOD AN ENCOURAGING WAY TO CONTINUE LOVING GOD? ARE YOU AN ACTIVE BIBLE READER/STUDIER? WHY OR WHY NOT?

MANY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN "TURNED OFF" TO LEARNING ABOUT GOD. THEY BELIEVE THAT EITHER THE BIBLE IS TOO COMPLICATED, OR TEACHERS HAVE MADE IT TOO COMPLICATED AMONG OTHER THINGS. ARE THEY RIGHT? WHAT IS AT STAKE HERE?

ARE LEARNING COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE CHURCH THE "LIFEBLOOD" OF THE CHURCH? WHY OR WHY NOT? WHAT HAS YOUR EXPERIENCE BEEN?

Please take a few moments to pray with and for one another