

## FUSION Q's...

### Becoming an Apprentice 1: Murder of the Heart

#### **Discussion Questions (20 – 30 minutes)**

Q1. What is the difference between religion and relationship?

Q2. Have you ever been guilty of letting your actions be motivated by anger or treating others with contempt? When? Why do you think you used anger or contempt?

Q3. Did responding with anger or contempt solve the situation and repair broken relationship? Why not?

#### **Read 1 John 2:3-6**

Q4. In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus says in 15 of the 92 verses that hearing his words are not enough – we must also do them. In 1 John we read a similar statement. Is it possible to pursue a relationship with God and not change the evil ways we treat others? Why or why not?

Q5. What do you think happens to us when we truly begin to have a relationship with Jesus? If you are pursuing a relationship with Jesus, what changes have you seen in your own life?

#### **Read 1 John 3:15**

Q6. What steps can you take to make sure your anger does not control the way you treat others?

Q7. Why do you think it is so important to make things right with someone you have wronged or who has wronged you before you do anything for God?

Q8. Is there anything in your life that God would like you to make right with another person? If so, what steps are you going to take to make it happen?

#### **Bible Verses for Fusion**

##### **1 John 2:3-6 (NIV)**

3We know that we have come to know him if we obey his commands. 4The man who says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5But if anyone obeys his word, God's love is truly made complete in him. This is how we know we are in him: 6Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did.

##### **1 John 3:15 (The Message Bible)**

15Anyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know very well that eternal life and murder don't go together.