

# MY STORY, MY SONG

## God Is Love

Whatever picture we have of God isn't enough.

### Discussion Questions:

1. What is one of your favorite love songs?
2. Prior to this message, how would you have explained the idea that "God is love" to someone else?
3. How would you describe the difference between the statements "God loves everybody" and "God is love"? Which way do you tend to view God?
4. Take a moment to read the lyrics to **God Is Love**:

*You don't just tolerate us, you don't have somewhere to go  
We're not your trophy children you abandon when we roam  
Your mercy's not a favor and your presence isn't rushed  
Our God is love*

*The cross was not a vehicle for you to finally care  
When we look upon your character, your grace was always there  
Acceptance not withheld from us, no need to measure up  
Our God is love*

*His arms are open for all to gather here  
The cross has spoken, there's nothing left to fear  
Once and for all he showed how far his grace would go for us  
Our God is love*

*How vast the Father's heart for us, we'll never reach the end  
I thought for sure I found it but he proved me wrong again  
So much higher, so much wider, so much deeper than we know  
Our God is love*

*Whatever picture I have isn't big enough  
Whatever picture I have isn't good enough  
Whatever picture I have doesn't sum you up  
Couldn't sum you up*

*Overcoming every grave  
Overwhelming all our shame  
It's overflowing, overflowing  
Our God is love*

5. What lyrics or lines stand out to you? Why do you think they resonate with you?

6. Read **1 John 4:7–9**.

*Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.*

How does the reality that God *is* love, not just loving, influence the way you view him?

7. Is there a part of your life where you don't feel God's love? If so, why? How could knowing at your core that God is love influence the way you live in and respond to that part of your life?