



SEAS Easter Message Series WEEK #6
Go Deeper Individual or Group Study Guide

Summary of Easter Message Week #6: As the scripture readings make clear, love is a core value of Christianity. The love that these readings are advocating is not the type of love we have for friends, nor is it a romantic love; rather, it is the type of love that reaches out to people who are in need. All humans have some sort of need.

GO DEEPER with the VIDEO & HOMILY: In preparation for meeting as a group, watch the video and read the homily provided on the parish website www.seasp.org before the group meets.

Opening Prayer:

From scripture read and reflect on the Sunday Gospel: **John 15:9-17**
What specifically touched you in this reading?

Individual Reflection or Discussion Questions:

1. What from the message video or homily stood out to you this week?
2. How have you experienced the power of love in your life?
3. Do you know that Jesus loves you? How have you experienced this truth in your life?
4. What is your experience of being loved? Have you experience God's love in the midst of that love?
5. How will you love as we are called to love this week?

Go Deeper as a group on the Church's Understanding of Prayer:

- ✓ Read: *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults Ch. 9, (pp. 101-110)*
Online version: <http://ccc.usccb.org/flipbooks/uscca/files/assets/basic-html/page-1.html#>
- ✓ Go through the "For Discussion" questions on p. 108 as a group.

Closing Prayer- Listen to "Same Power" by Jeremy Camp or pray the lyrics:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=InsifiZxVXU>

SAME POWER by Jeremy Camp

I can see
Waters raging at my feet
I can feel
The breath of those surrounding me
I can hear
The sound of nations rising up
We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome

I can walk
Down this dark and painful road
I can face
Every fear of the unknown
I can hear
All God's children singing out
We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave
The same power that commands the dead to wake
Lives in us, lives in us
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks
The same power that can calm a raging sea
Lives in us, lives in us
He lives in us, lives in us

We have hope
That His promises are true
In His strength
There is nothing we can't do
Yes, we know
There are greater things in store
We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome

Greater is He that is living in me
He's conquered our enemy
No power of darkness
No weapon prevails
We stand here in victory

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The same power that commands the dead to wake
Lives in us, lives in us
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks
The same power that can calm a raging sea
Lives in us, lives in us
He lives in us, lives in us AMEN