

## Impact

### Loving Laveen

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<sup>7</sup> Dear friends, **let us love one another**, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

<sup>8</sup> Whoever does not love does not know God, because **God is love**. 1 John 4:7-8, NIV

My impact misconceptions:

God wants me to \_\_\_\_\_ other people.

Impacting Laveen will make it look like \_\_\_\_\_.

I will be happy when \_\_\_\_\_ comes to Laveen.

Impact reality:

I live in a \_\_\_\_\_.

God wants me to \_\_\_\_\_ Laveen.

<sup>16</sup> **This is how we know what love is:** Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. 1 John 3:16, NIV

<sup>9</sup> 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.

1 John 4:9, NIV

Loving someone will always involve a \_\_\_\_\_ to me and I will never be guaranteed a return on my \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>10</sup> This is love: **not that we loved God**, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:10, NIV

Our love for God will always be a \_\_\_\_\_ to his love.

Our love for God is not \_\_\_\_\_ love.

<sup>11</sup> Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 1 John 4:11, NIV

<sup>43</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'<sup>44</sup> But I tell you, **love your enemies** and pray for those who persecute you,<sup>45</sup> that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

<sup>46</sup> If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that?<sup>48</sup> **Be perfect**, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. Matthew 5:43-46,48 NIV

Our love for others is a \_\_\_\_\_ of God's love and will be \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>17</sup> If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?<sup>18</sup> Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. 1 John 3:17-18, NIV

Our love needs to make an \_\_\_\_\_ on others.

<sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. 1 John 4:12, NIV

Loving Laveen is how God gets \_\_\_\_\_ done.

## MEMORY VERSE

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**My next step:** God's showed me what love is by sending Jesus to be my Savior. I will show Laveen what love is by sharing Christ and making an impact with action and truth.

What's your next step today?

Mark it on your Communication Card.