



KEEP CALM TEACHER

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – LESSON 2: “LOVE SACRIFICES”

UNDERSTANDING THE WORD

1 John 4:9 says God’s love was manifested when He sent His Son.

- What does that word manifested reveal about the visible, active nature of God’s love?

Sacrificial love always costs something.

- What are some of the “costs” you see God willingly paying in Scripture to redeem His people?

Read John 15:13 and Ephesians 5:1-2.

- How do these verses deepen our understanding of what it means to walk in love as Christ did?
- Why is it so important for Christian teachers to remember that God’s love is holy and purposeful, not just emotional or sentimental?

REFLECTING PERSONALLY

Think of a time when someone showed you sacrificial love—when they gave up time, comfort, or reputation for your benefit.

- How did that experience change you?
- What personal obstacles make sacrificial love difficult for you?

(Examples: exhaustion, pride, fear of being taken advantage of, lack of recognition.)

- Why do you think God values unseen sacrifice?
- How does remembering that “your labor in the Lord is not in vain” (1 Cor. 15:58) help sustain you?

TEACH LOVE INSPIRE

Applying in the Classroom

Teaching often requires daily self-denial.

- What are some small but meaningful ways you can lay down self in your classroom to serve students better?

The lesson said, "Sacrificial love says, 'I'll lay down my right to be right in order to do what's right.'"

- What could that principle look like when dealing with a difficult student, parent, or coworker?
- How can you help your students learn the joy of serving others first?
- What classroom activities or routines could model sacrificial love in action?
- When fatigue or frustration sets in, what practical steps help you refill spiritually so you can keep giving from overflow rather than burnout?

Deeper Reflection / Optional Writing Prompt

Read 1 John 3:16 — "By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us."

In one short paragraph, describe what it means for you, as a teacher, to "lay down your life" in your daily ministry.

How does this verse reshape your definition of success in education?