



KEEP CALM TEACHER

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – LESSON 3: “LOVE ABIDES”

UNDERSTANDING THE WORD

In 1 John 4:12, John says that if we love one another, “God abides in us.”

- What does the word “abide” actually mean, and why is it significant that John chose that word instead of “visit” or “appear”?
- How does the world’s definition of love differ from the kind of love that abides?
- Why is it important for Christian leaders to model a love that endures instead of a love that depends on emotion?

Read John 15:4–5.

- What does Jesus’ teaching about the vine and branches reveal about how love is sustained in a believer’s life?

John writes that when we love others, “His love has been perfected in us.”

- What does it mean for God’s love to be “perfected” or “matured” in someone?

REFLECTING PERSONALLY

Think of someone in your life who has modeled abiding love—someone who stayed consistent through highs and lows.

- What did their faithfulness teach you about God’s character?
- Why do you think consistency is so powerful in relationships?
- How does steady, faithful love impact trust in a classroom or home?
- What challenges or emotions make it hardest for you to “abide” in love when circumstances or people become difficult?

TEACH LOVE INSPIRE

Applying in the Classroom

The lesson said that students need stability as much as instruction.

- What are some ways you can make your classroom a place of emotional and spiritual stability for your students?

"Love abides" means showing up the same way every day—with grace, patience, and reliability.

- What practical habits can help you remain steady and Christlike even on hard days?
- When a student repeatedly tests your patience or a coworker frustrates you, how can abiding in God's love change your response?
- How can you demonstrate to your students that your love for them doesn't depend on their performance, but on who they are in God's eyes?

Deeper Reflection / Optional Writing Prompt

John writes, "No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us."

In a short paragraph, describe what it means for your classroom to be a place where God's presence is visible through love that abides.

How would that kind of love change the atmosphere of your school?