**Spiritual Simplicity Leader Guide**

**Session 8: Love Train (Get on Board)**

When Jesus was asked, “What is the greatest commandment?” His clear answer was …

* Love the Lord your God
* Love your neighbor as yourself

How do you sustain a lifetime of love?

1. The destination of the love train – becoming like Jesus (a Romans 12 Christian)
   * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to God (Roman 12:1)
   * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the world’s values (Romans 12:2)
   * Sober (accurate)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 12:3-8)
   * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in love (Romans 12:9-13)
   * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ responds to evil with good (Romans 12:14-21)
2. The railroad tracks of the love train are B.I.O
   * B = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ daily
   * I = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Weekly
   * O = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 24/7

This is the path to\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. The barriers on the love train railroad tracks
   * Your unwillingness to go \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
   * Your unwillingness to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
   * Your fear of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Discussion Question**

* Chip said that a disciple is someone that is “becoming like Jesus”. Om the past, if someone had asked you, “what is a disciple?’ what would you have said?
* Over the course of your life, who or what has had the most impact on your life in helping you become like Jesus?
* The apostle Paul calls on us to be separate from the world’s values. In John 17, Jesus said that we are not *of* the world but that He did send us *in* to the world. What does it mean for you personally to be in the world but not of the world? Be specific.
* At the end of this session, Chip mentioned three barriers on the tracks of the “love train”. Which of these are most likely to be a barrier for you? Why?

**Going Deeper**

* For you personally, what does it mean to be surrendered to God (“all in”)? Is there some area of your life that you are struggling to surrender to God?
* What are the biggest barriers to you experiencing deeper relationships?
  + Too busy
  + Job demands
  + Fear of rejection
  + Fear to initiate
  + Lack of intentionality
  + Past hurts
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* If you could do anything for God, and time and money were no obstacle, what would you attempt?