DISCUSSION GUIDE

ICEBREAKER: If you were on a debate team, what subject would you relish debating?

OVERVIEW: When God wants to accomplish something on earth, He doesn't do it directly. He chooses a person and works through them to get things done. Just as God used Joseph, Moses, David, Esther, Nehemiah, and Jonah to accomplish His purposes, He wants to use you. Most Christians want to be used by God. We want to make a difference for God. But to be useful to God, there's something we must do. We have to keep our love for God hot. In this discussion we will go deeper with how to stay on fire for God so that He can use us in a mighty way.

- 1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain. (Or what was your key takeaway from Sunday's message?)
- 2. Do you want to be used by God? Explain.
- 3. What would you like to accomplish for God?
- 4. Other than keeping your love hot, what must a person do to be useful to God?

- 5. Read Mark 12:28-31.
 - a. What did the scribe ask Jesus?
 - b. What was Jesus' answer?
 - c. What does it mean to love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength?
- 6. Read Revelation 2:1-7 and refer to Sunday's sermon. What was the church in Ephesus doing right?
- 7. What was the Ephesian church doing wrong?
- 8. What is the connection between loving God and being useful to God?
- 9. What are some signs that you have lost your first love?
- 10. What can you do to keep your love hot?

The Last Word: "The measure of our love to God must be to love Him without measure." Bernard

