

# UNCOMFORTABLE CONVERSATIONS

## WEEK 1 DISCUSSION GUIDE

### DISCOVER

#### WHAT GOD IS SAYING

**Read:**

Romans 13:9-10

**First Look:**

What is your reaction on first hearing this Scripture?

What does this passage say about God, Jesus, and people?

**Read and Look Again:**

Retell the Scripture in your own words.

What take-aways do you have from the sermon on Uncomfortable Conversations that connect with this passage?

### DOING

#### WHAT GOD IS SAYING

**Life Connection:**

What in me needs to be opened to **do** what God is showing me today?

How will you respond to this passage and/or the sermon message in a tangible way in the next three days?

**Deeper Reflection:**

What uncomfortable conversations are you needing to engage in during this time? How can we support you?

### SHARING

#### WHAT GOD IS SAYING

**Relational Connection:**

Who in your life needs to hear this Scripture or message from this week?

Who could you invite to join you in a short discussion using these questions?

Who do you think would benefit by an invitation to worship next week?

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### WEEKLY ROAD MAP

Re-read Romans 13:9-10. Challenge yourself to read it several times using a different translation on Biblegateway.com. Record and notice what stands out each time. Ask yourself: What might God be telling me through this story? See how the answer changes each time you read through the Scripture.

Attend any of the online worship gatherings this coming weekend.

Be in prayer. Pray that God will urge in you to stay in love with God, to do all the good you can, and to do no harm. Extend that prayer for us as a community - that God would urge us as Church of the Shepherd to do the same. Pray that God would lead you to have difficult conversations necessary for peace and justice to be known. Spend time praying in silence.

Reflect on where God is calling you to engage in a difficult conversation during this time. What does it mean for you to stay at the table with someone whom you disagree with? What does it mean to be the church during this time? What role do you think you play?

Challenge yourself to share with one other person what God is saying, using this discussion guide to help you.