

‘THAT YOUR JOY MAY BE FULL’
A STUDY OF THE EPISTLES OF ST. JOHN
PART II

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SUPPLEMENTAL READINGS / QUESTIONS

SUGGESTED READINGS:

- Pope Benedict XVI, *Desu Caritas Est (God is Love) – First Encyclical*
- Raymond Brown, *The Community of the Beloved Disciple*
- C.S. Lewis, *The Four Loves*

FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS

- To what extent is my faith *rooted in an intimate relationship with ‘Christ Incarnate’ i.e., the Risen Jesus ...* and not merely ideas, practices, etc?
- To what extent *would other people say...* His / her life [work, family, ministry] is characterized by “love?”
- Which of the “four loves” would I like to learn more about ... grow in?
 - Love of God
 - Brotherly love
 - Love of my children (parents, grandparents)
 - Love for my spouse
- John places a high value on “keeping the commandments.” Which of the Ten Commandments do I struggle with the most? Read through the *Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7)*. Ask Christ for the grace to embrace his “gentle yoke”