ON THE OTHER SIDE OF YES

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My friend Jeff loves to say, "Let's make the most of it." A dinner gone wrong – "Let's make the most of it." Rain on his wedding day – "Let's make the most of it." Gum stuck in his daughter's hair – get out the scissors and "Let's make the most of it."

A book called "On the Other Side of Yes" – "Let's make the most of it."

The way to make the most of this book is by making it personal. Prayer, fasting and generosity are good ideas on their own; however, once applied to your life, they have the potential to transform your life and impact the Kingdom of God. This study guide is here to help you make the things spoken about in this book a reality in your life.

For the overachiever, grab a pen and journal. You will want to reflect on the questions personally and record your own commitments and convictions. Each chapter's study concludes with a "Say Yes Challenge" in bold to help you and your group take next steps. We also encourage you to invite trusted friends with you on this journey. Connect with a crew of friends, a small group of friends or a community group of friends. Share with one another. Commit to the things God is challenging you to together and pray for one another as you step out and say yes to the Lord.

And then get ready to experience what's on the other side of yes.

chapter one YOU ARE LOVED

- 1. Have you ever received a gift that was motivated out of obligation? How did it make you feel?
- 2. Read JOHN 3:16 and list the five most important features of the passage:

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- 3. The greatest gift we have received is the presence of God in our lives. Why has God given us this gift? What was His motivation?
- 4. What would it practically look like for you to walk the "length and breadth" of God's love? How do you plan to embrace and experience the love of God fully?

5. Are you carrying around any shame, hurt, failure, guilt or regret that needs to be laid down? Imagine yourself laying it at the cross and walking away. You could even write it down and burn it in a fire or flush it down the toilet (sorry about the potty language).

6. How does the author comment on the width of God's love? Have you experienced God's love in this way?

7. Have you ever loved something and then that love wore out? How does this compare to the love of God?

8. List the times in your life when you have been able to stand on the love of God to help you overcome a trial, struggle or obstacle:

 What are the four ways Paul described the love of God in EPHESIANS 3:18? Discuss with your group how each of these reflects different dimensions of God's love:

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b)		
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Write down **Isaiah 54:10** and post it somewhere you will see it every day for the next week. Memorize the passage and reflect on the love God has for you.