Crazy Love: Serving Leftovers to a Holy God February 18, 2017 Chapter 5 – Crazy Love

- 1. Read Luke 8:4-15. Discuss the parable of the soils.
- 2. According to Malachi 1, what were the Israelites doing wrong in their approach to God? Why was this such a big deal? How does God respond to their half-hearted sacrifices?

Even though we no longer offer animal sacrifices, in what ways might we be in danger of making the same mistakes that the Israelites made? How do ensure that doesn't happen? Are we doing that?

- 3. Would you say you are guilty of serving leftovers to God? How so, or why not?
- 4. Read Matthew 16:24-25. What does it mean to take up your cross daily and follow Jesus? What did that mean to Matthew and to the other disciples?

Describe some practical ways you can take up your cross? Are you currently doing them or what steps might you need to take to begin this week?

- 5. What is the difference between living a perfect life and developing a life of obedience to God? Why is the distinction important?
- 6. Jesus gives a stark warning to Laodicea in Revelation 3:14-22, but a way to overcome. Discuss the warning and what can be done with being lukewarm.