Part 2: Popular vs. Loved
There are a lot of voices in our lives that tell us who they think we should be. It's so tempting to try to be impressive, successful, and popular and to appease those voices. And yet, living that way puts us on an exhausting journey for approval. We think we want to be liked, but what we really need is to be loved.

Ice Breaker
What is the best dish you can cook?

Introduction
Who have been some of the most influential voices in your life - positive or negative (eg: Parents, teachers, friends, etc.)? In what ways have those voices shaped how you think about yourself?

Read Matthew 4:5-7
1. How would you summarize the temptation in these verses? What is Jesus' response? (For some more context refer to Psalm 91, Exodus 17:1-7)

2. Just before Jesus is tempted, he is baptized. Read Matthew 3: 16-17. How do you think this experience helped to prepare Jesus for this temptation?

3. We all need to hear God's voice call us His beloved. Is that an easy message for you to accept? Why or why not?

4. What are some of the things that make it hard for us to hear or accept God's voice that calls us beloved?

Moving Forward
What are some steps that you could take to make sure that God's voice is the most influential in your life?

Pray
As we approach Easter, be praying about who you could invite to join you for our Easter Sunday service(s). Pray that God would impact people through this season, the service, stories, and baptisms.