

Jesus Shows Us How to Love



MEMORY VERSE: "So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples." John 11:34-35



John 13:33-35 Jesus Gives a New Commandment

1. What is the "new commandment" Jesus gives his disciples? Why should we follow it?
vv. 34-35

2. Why do you think Jesus gave a new commandment?

3. Why/How do you think loving others will prove to the world that we are Jesus' disciples?



John 13:1-15 Jesus Washes His Disciples Feet

In John 13, Jesus shows us beautiful picture of what loving others looks like.

4. What did Jesus know about His time on earth? v. 1 What did Jesus know about the Father?
v. 3

5. Read verses 4-8. Jesus washed all of His disciples feet. Why did Jesus to do this? v. 8
What does this teach you about Jesus?

6. Read verses 12-15. How can you follow Jesus' example of loving others in your life today?
v. 15



John 17:16-17 Jesus Shows Us How to Love

7. Read verses 16-17. What do you think Jesus is telling us?
8. In these verses Jesus tells us that we should treat everyone equally. In other words, we should love and serve everyone in order to share the good news of Jesus Christ. Looking back at this study, how else do we see Jesus love others?
9. What does this teach you about how Jesus wants us to love in both attitude and action? How can we possibly love like this?
10. What difference would it make if we did love like Jesus? What difference would it make if we don't love like Jesus?

BELIEVE THE TRUTH

Jesus was very clear when He was on earth about something: He came for **EVERYONE**. He loves all of us and wants us to do the same. It doesn't matter if they look like us, think like us, believe what we believe, or even if they are nice to us. God wants us to love the way Jesus loved. Jesus is our best example of how we can love others. May you love others so well that everyone knows it is because you are a follower of Christ!

PRAY THE TRUTH

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for loving me! Thank you for Your example of how to love others. Give me Your eyes and heart for others so I may see them and love them as You do, especially people that are harder for me to love. I pray that the way I love would make others want to know You! Amen.

WALK IN TRUTH



What do people think of Jesus based on how well you do or don't love others? What are a few things you can start doing to love like Jesus?

Various John Verses (NLT)

John 13:33-38: "Dear children, I will be with you only a little longer. And as I told the Jewish leaders, you will search for me, but you can't come where I am going. 34 So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. 35 Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

John 13:1-17: "Before the Passover celebration, Jesus knew that his hour had come to leave this world and return to his Father. He had loved his disciples during his ministry on earth, and now he loved them to the very end. 2 It was time for supper, and the devil had already prompted Judas, son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. 3 Jesus knew that the Father had given him authority over everything and that he had come from God and would return to God. 4 So he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, 5 and poured water into a basin. Then he began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he had around him.

6 When Jesus came to Simon Peter, Peter said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

7 Jesus replied, "You don't understand now what I am doing, but someday you will."

8 "No," Peter protested, "you will never ever wash my feet!" Jesus replied, "Unless I wash you, you won't belong to me."

9 Simon Peter exclaimed, "Then wash my hands and head as well, Lord, not just my feet!"

10 Jesus replied, "A person who has bathed all over does not need to wash, except for the feet, to be entirely clean. And you disciples are clean, but not all of you." 11 For Jesus knew who would betray him. That is what he meant when he said, "Not all of you are clean."

12 After washing their feet, he put on his robe again and sat down and asked, "Do you understand what I was doing? 13 You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and you are right, because that's what I am. 14 And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. 15 I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you.

16 I tell you the truth, slaves are not greater than their master. Nor is the messenger more important than the one who sends the message. 17 Now that you know these things, God will bless you for doing them.

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