

WHAT MATTERS MOST #2 LOVE

John 13:31-38

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I. The Exhortation to Love

A new commandment I give to you...

II. The Example of Love

Just as I have loved you...

III. The Effect of Love

By this all people will know...

For Further Study

John, the author of this week's sermon text, wrote much more about love and how it applies to the Christian life in the book of 1st John. Take time this week to read through this amazing letter and be challenged by how one of Jesus' closest disciples.

For Discussion

Spend time with a friend, in community group, or as a family discussing how you can apply God's word to your life. !

- 1) What is new and what is not new about the command in verse 34?
- 2) How is Jesus' definition of love different from how the world might define love?
- 3) How will this affect the way we love others, those we like and those we find harder to like? What real differences would it make to the group if we were to love one another in this way?
- 4) How will the application of verse 34 lead to further glorification of God on earth?
- 5) Are there people in your life right now who are difficult for you to love the way Jesus commands?

Series: #WhatMattersMost

A look at 7 key themes Jesus taught His disciples shortly before His arrest, crucifixion, and resurrection---recorded in **John 13-17**. These themes provide the DNA of true followers of Jesus—and they have been the power behind every movement of God since Jesus unleashed His people on mission. **We are invited to be a part of what Jesus has been doing** throughout history all over the **world by practicing these truths** in our relationships at home, in our church, and in our community.