

"You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross."

Philippians 2:5-8

"You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and you are right, because that's what I am. And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you. 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. Now that you know these things, God will bless you for doing them."

John 13:13-17

"Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and his love is brought to full expression in us."

1 John 4:11-12

The Big Idea

So That Others Will

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 13:34-35

Jesus Loved Those. . .

1. Who Could

Matthew 25:34-36

2. Who Others

Later, Matthew invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners. But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with such scum?' When Jesus heard this, he said, 'Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do.' ...For I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners."

Matthew 9:10-13

3. Who Loved Him

"Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.'

John 21:3

"After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' 'Yes, Lord,' Peter replied, 'you know I love you.' 'Then feed my lambs,' Jesus told him. Jesus repeated the question: 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Yes, Lord,' Peter said, 'you know I love you.' 'Then take care of my sheep,' Jesus said.

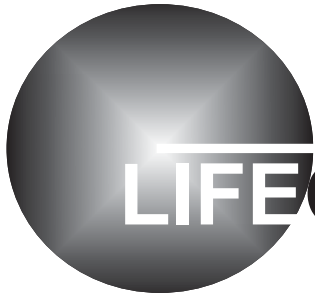
A third time he asked him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was hurt that Jesus asked the question a third time. He said, 'Lord, you know everything. You know that I love you.'

Jesus said, 'Then feed my sheep'"

John 21:15-17

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO. . .

- ☐ Trust in Jesus for the very first time
- ☐ Memorize John 13:34-35
- ☐ Ask God to help me to be love, so that others might believe
- ☐ Get the most out of this weekend's teaching by attending my Life Group this week.



Discussion Questions - Week #6

QUICK REVIEW

Thinking back to the sermon this weekend, "Wow," summarize the main point in a sentence or two.

Looking at your notes, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

Is there any practical step you plan on taking this week in response to the message?

GETTING STARTED

► "Wow" moments have the power to remind us that life is more than what we can understand or control. What was the last thing that elicited a spontaneous "wow" from you?

► Think back to the seven words from this sermon series: No, Yes, Sorry, Enough, Thanks, Help, Wow. Which word was the most important for you to consider more carefully?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. The parable of the Good Samaritan is one of the most famous parables Jesus told, and it gets at the heart of what it looks like to love like Jesus. Read Luke 10:25-37. Why do you think Jesus uses a Samaritan in this story to demonstrate neighbor love?

Who are people today that you find it difficult to love?

What most often stands in the way of you loving your neighbor well?

Why do you think the way we love others is such a powerful witness to Christ?

Where does this story challenge or encourage you?

2. Read John 8:1-11. What stands out to you in this story?

In what ways did Jesus show this woman love?

How might loving as Jesus loved differ from our world's definition of love today?

Do you think Jesus was concerned that showing love to this woman might be confused with approving of her actions?

Do you think loving as Jesus loved in this passage would wow our world? Why or why not?

Are there any changes you need to make in light of this story to better love as Jesus loves?

TAKING IT HOME

☞ What is one truth from the message this weekend that you need to keep before you this week?

PRAYER REQUESTS