

Love Like Jesus

John 13:34-35 “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. 35 By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

LOVING THE JESUS WAY IS NOT SENTIMENTAL—IT'S SACRIFICAL, INTENTIONAL, AND COUNTERCULTURAL.

I. THE SOURCE OF JESUS-STYLE LOVE

Romans 12:9-10 “Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord”

- We don't love for Jesus—we love from Jesus.
- Love flows from being with Jesus, not trying harder
- If following Jesus hasn't changed how we love people, we may be informed—but not transformed

II. THE SHAPE OF JESUS-STYLE LOVE

Romans 12:15-16 “Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. 16 Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion”.

- Jesus' love always moves toward people, not away from them.
- Loving like Jesus is:
- Sacrificial - It costs
- Initiating – It moves first
- Inclusive – It crosses boundaries

III. THE PRACTICE OF JESUS-STYLE LOVE

Romans 12:17-18 “Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. 18 If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men”.

- Practice doesn't make it perfect; practice makes it permanent
- Love grows as we practice it - intentionally.
- You don't wait until you feel loving—you choose loving actions
- The Jesus way of love is not passive kindness—it's active obedience.

ACTION POINT

- 1) Who is God inviting me to love even when it's inconvenient?
- 2) Where have I replaced love with avoidance, sarcasm, or silence?
- 3) What would “Loving like Jesus” look like in one strained relationship this week?

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