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♥ **LOVING LIKE JESUS**
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Jesus: "I'm giving you a new commandment: Love each other **in the same way** that I have loved you." John 13:34 (GW)

1. ACCEPT OTHERS like Jesus ACCEPTS ME

"[Abba] gives me my people. Every one of them will come to me, **and I will always accept them.**" John 6:37 (NCV)

"Jesus treated us much better than we deserve. **He made us acceptable to God** and gave us the hope of eternal life." Titus 3:7 (CEV)

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you." Romans 15:7 (NIV)

2. VALUE OTHERS like Jesus VALUES ME

"Are not five sparrows sold for two small coins? Yet not one of them has escaped **the notice of God**. Even the hairs of your head have all been counted! Do not be afraid. **You are worth far more** than many sparrows." Luke 12:6-7 (NAB)

Value depends on WHO MADE IT

"For **we are God's workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)

Value depends on WHAT SOMEONE WILL PAY

"[God] **paid for you** with the precious lifeblood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God." 1 Peter 1:19 (NLT)

"Treat everyone you meet **with dignity.**" 1 Peter 2:17 (MSG)

"Jesus looked at him and loved him." Mark 10:21 (NIV)

3. FORGIVE OTHERS like Jesus FORGIVES ME

"I am the God who **forgives your sins**, and I do this because of who I am. **I will not hold your sins against you.**" Isaiah 43:25 (GN)

"Long ago, even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes." Ephesians 1:4 (NLT)

"There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Romans 8:1 (NIV)

"This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." Matthew 26:28 (NIV)

"You must **make allowance for each other's faults** and **forgive the person who offends you**. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others." Col. 3:13 (NLT)

"Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven." Luke 6:37 (NIV)

4. BELIEVE IN OTHERS like Jesus BELIEVES IN ME

"If you love someone, you will ... always believe in [them]." 1 Corinthians 13:7 (LB)

"As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world." John 17:18 (NIV)

Jesus believes that you can move mountains (Matt. 17:20), can accomplish anything (Mark 9:23), do miracles (Matt. 21:21), do greater works that Jesus did (John 14:12).

"I want us to **help each other** with the faith we have. Your faith will **help me**, and my faith will **help you.**" Romans 1:12 (NCV)

"Let us consider how we may **spur one another on** toward love and good deeds." Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)



"And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ" Ephesians 3:17-18 (TNIV)