



I N T H I S I S

LOVE

1 JOHN 4:10

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- We don't earn God's love.
- God's *agape* love is a gift.





Last week...

Love [noun ἀγάπη *agape*] is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails;

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a



**If this is what love IS,  
what does love DO?**



# What does love DO? Love...

- Shows up as promised
- Stands for righteousness
- Survives betrayal
- Serves always
- Seeks the Father
- Sticks it out
- Submits to the will of God



# Jesus' Last Week - The Passion Week

## SATURDAY

- Arrives at Bethany (John 12:1)
- The supper prepared for Him

## SUNDAY

- Triumphal entry into Jerusalem on a donkey
- Crowds shout "Hosanna"
- Weeps over Jerusalem

## MONDAY

- Withers the fig tree
- 2nd cleansing of the Temple

## TUESDAY

- His last day in the Temple
- His authority challenged by the Sanhedrin
- Taught the parables of:

- The two sons
- The vineyard
- The marriage feast
- The ten virgins
- The talents

### ■ Questioned about:

- Paying tribute to Caesar
- The resurrection
- Which is the greatest commandment?
- How could David's Son be his Lord?

- Fearful denunciation of Scribes and Pharisees
- Observed the widow giving her two mites
- Final departure from the temple

- Final discourse on the Mount of Olives
  - Destruction of Jerusalem
  - His second coming
  - Final judgment scene

## WEDNESDAY

- Day of quiet at Bethany
- Judas conspired against Him

## THURSDAY

- Washed the disciples feet
- Ate the Last Supper
- Predicted Peter's denial
- Predicted Judas' betrayal
- Prayed and agonized in the Garden of Gethsemane
- Judas betrayed Him
- Arrested

## FRIDAY

- Taken before:
  - Annas
  - Caiaphas
  - The Sanhedrin
  - Pilate
  - Herod
  - Pilate
- Denied by Peter three times
- Was crucified

## SATURDAY

- His body was in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea

## SUNDAY

- The Resurrection—"He is risen!"
- Began His post-resurrection appearances

Let's review  
how Jesus  
modeled  
*agape* love  
during some  
of the  
events of  
the Passion  
Week

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Love...

**Shows Up As Promised**

Matthew 21





When they had approached Jerusalem and had come to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied there and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to Me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord has need of them,’ and immediately he will send them.” Matthew 21:1-3



This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold your King is coming to you, gentle, and mounted on a donkey, even on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’ ” The disciples went and did just as Jesus had instructed them, and brought the donkey and the colt, and laid their coats on them; and He sat on the coats.

Matthew 21:4-7







Most of the crowd spread their coats in the road, and others were cutting branches from the [date palm] trees and spreading them in the road.  
Mathew 21:8



The crowds going ahead of Him, and those who followed, were shouting, “**Hosanna** to the Son of David; blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; **Hosanna** in the highest!”

Matthew 21:9

O Lord, do save, we beseech You [ הוֹשִׁיעָה נָא hoshi-a-na “Hosanna”]; O Lord, we beseech You, do send prosperity! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord; we have blessed you from the house of the Lord. Psalm 118:25-26 (written about 1000 BC)





# Love Shows Up As Promised

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout in triumph, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, **your king is coming to you**; He is just and endowed with salvation, humble, and mounted on a donkey, even on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Zechariah 9:9 (written about 500 BC)



Love...

# Stands for Righteousness

Matthew 21

Mark 11





And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all those who were buying and selling in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who were selling doves. And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you are making it a robbers' den." Matthew 21:12-13

Then they came to Jerusalem. And He entered the temple and began to drive out those who were buying and selling in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who were selling doves; and He would not permit anyone to carry merchandise through the temple. And He began to teach and say to them, “Is it not written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations’ [Isaiah 56:7]? But you have made it a robbers’ den [Jeremiah 7:11].” The chief priests and the scribes heard this, and began seeking how to destroy Him; for they were afraid of Him, for the whole crowd was astonished at His teaching.

Mark 11:15-18





Love...

# Survives Betrayal

Matthew 26

Luke 22



Then one of the twelve, named Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, “What are you willing to give me to **betray** Him to you?” And they weighed out thirty pieces of silver to him. From then on he began looking for a good opportunity to **betray** Jesus.  
Matthew 26:14-16



And Satan entered into Judas who was called  
Iscairiot, belonging to the number of the  
twelve. And he went away and discussed with  
the chief priests and officers how he might  
**betray** Him to them. They were glad and  
agreed to give him money. So he consented,  
and began seeking a good opportunity to  
**betray** Him to them apart from  
the crowd. Luke 22:3-6



Love...

**Serves Always**

John 13





Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come forth from God and was going back to God, got up from supper, and laid aside His garments; and taking a towel, He girded Himself. Then He poured water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet [including Judas Iscariot] and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded. John 13:3-5



So He came to Simon Peter. He said to Him, “Lord, do You wash my feet?” Jesus answered and said to him, “What I do you do not realize now, but you will understand hereafter.” Peter said to Him, “Never shall You wash my feet!” Jesus answered him, “If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me.” Simon Peter said to Him, “Lord, then wash not only my feet, but also my hands and my head.” John 13:6-9



Jesus said to him, "He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you." For He knew the one who was betraying Him; for this reason He said, "Not all of you are clean."  
John 13:10-11



So when He had washed their feet, and taken His garments and reclined at the table again, He said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? You call Me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am. If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I gave you an example that you also should do as I did to you.” John 13:12-15





Love...

**Seeks The Father**

Matthew 26

Luke 22



Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane ["olive press"], and said to His disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and distressed. Then He said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved, to the point of death; remain here and keep watch with Me." And He went a little beyond them, and fell on His face and prayed, saying, "**My Father**, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; yet not as I will, but as You will." Matthew 26:36-39







# Garden of Gethsemane today

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He went away again a second time and prayed, saying, “My Father, if this cannot pass away unless I drink it, Your will be done.” Again He came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. And He left them again, and went away and prayed a third time, saying the same thing once more. Then He came to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? Behold, the hour is at hand and the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going; behold, the one who betrays Me is at hand!”

Matthew 26:36-46





And He came out and proceeded as was His custom to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples also followed Him. When He arrived at the place, He said to them, “Pray that you may not enter into temptation.” And He withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, and He knelt down and began to pray, saying, “Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done.”

Luke 22:39-42



Now an angel from heaven appeared to Him, strengthening Him. And being in agony He was praying very fervently; and His sweat became like drops of blood, falling down upon the ground [medical condition of Hematohidrosis]. When He rose from prayer, He came to the disciples and found them sleeping from sorrow, and said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not enter into temptation." While He was still speaking, behold, a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was preceding them; and he approached Jesus to kiss Him. But Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

Luke 22:43-48



Love...

Sticks It Out

Matthew 27



# ***Jesus' Six Trials Before The Cross***

## **Three Religious Trials before Jewish leaders**

Before Annas

John 18:12–14

Before Caiaphas

Matthew 26:57–68

Before the Sanhedrin

Matthew 27:1–2

- Charged with blasphemy, claiming to be Son of God, Messiah.

## **Three Civil Trials before Roman officials**

Before Pilate

John 18:28–38

Before Herod

Luke 23:6–12



Before Pilate

John 18:39–19:6

- Charged with treason, inciting people to riot, forbidding the people to pay their taxes, and claiming to be King.





Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole Roman cohort around Him. They stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him. And after twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand; and they knelt down before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spat on Him, and took the reed and began to beat Him on the head. After they had mocked Him, they took the scarlet robe off Him and put His own garments back on Him, and led Him away to crucify Him.

Matthew 27:27-31





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And when  
they came to  
a place called  
Golgotha,  
which means  
Place of a  
Skull,  
Matthew  
27:33



they gave Him wine to drink mixed with gall; and after tasting it, He was unwilling to drink. And when they had crucified Him, they divided up His garments among themselves by casting lots. And sitting down, they began to keep watch over Him there. And above His head they put up the charge against Him which read, "THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS." At that time two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and one on the left. And those passing by were hurling abuse at Him, wagging their heads and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

Matthew 27:34-40





In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking Him and saying, “He saved others; He cannot save Himself. He is the King of Israel; let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe in Him. He trusts in God; let God rescue Him now, if He delights in Him; for He said, ‘I am the Son of God.’ ” The robbers who had been crucified with Him were also insulting Him with the same words. Now from the sixth hour [12 pm] darkness fell upon all the land until the ninth hour [3 pm].

Matthew 27:41-45





About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying [in Aramaic], “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?” that is, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” Matthew 27:46

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And some of those who were standing there, when they heard it, began saying, “This man is calling for Elijah.” Immediately one of them ran, and taking a sponge, he filled it with sour wine and put it on a reed, and gave Him a drink. But the rest of them said, “Let us see whether Elijah will come to save Him.” And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit.

Matthew 27:47-50



And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth shook and the rocks were split. The tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; and coming out of the tombs after His resurrection they entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now the centurion, and those who were with him keeping guard over Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the things that were happening, became very frightened and said, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

Matthew 27:51-54





Love...

# Submits to the Will of God

and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. 1 Peter 2:24



# The Will of God: Jesus is our Passover Lamb

“Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying, ‘On the tenth of this month (Nisan... Palm Sunday) they are each one to take a lamb for themselves, according to their fathers’ households, a lamb for each household.’”

Exodus 12:3

“Your lamb shall be an unblemished male a year old; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month (Nisan... Good Friday), then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to kill it at twilight.” Exodus 12:5-6

For the 4 days after taking the lamb and before killing the lamb, the lamb is watched by the priests and inspected and put on trial to see if it is unblemished. **Jesus was put on trial and proven innocent.**



# What does love DO?

Like Jesus, true *agape* love...

- Shows up as promised – true love keeps their vows
- Stands for righteousness – true love knows right and wrong
- Survives betrayal – true love forgives and restores
- Serves always – true love serves everyone at all times
- Seeks the Father – true love longs for spiritual connection
- Sticks it out – true love does not give up when life gets hard
- Submits to the will of God – true love trusts and obeys

# What does love DO?

By this the love [noun ἀγάπη *agape*] of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him. 1 John 4:9

