

LOVE

one another

JOHN 13:34

Love One Another by Pastor Kaipo Thomas April 9/11, 2021

Who was Jesus? Who was Jesus, the person?

What was it about Jesus the caused people to make massive changes in their lives?

1 John 4:8 GOD IS LOVE.

John 11 – Jesus at Bethany

Jesus hears that Lazarus is dying, Jesus waits two more days.

Purpose/Reason: "That they may believe."

"What else does Jesus want to show the disciples in raising Lazarus from the dead?" **A new layer to / new depth of His love**

John records that Jesus loved Mary, Martha, and Lazarus.

Jesus loves on each of these three is different ways.

The Jews observed Jesus' response to Lazarus' death and said,

"See how He (Jesus) loved him." ~Deeply moved

John 12 – Jesus and Mary of Bethany

Feet washing: Saved for the lowliest of slaves

Mary: Anoints Jesus' feet with ointment and wipes them with her hair. Despite Judas' rebuttal, Mary continues unphased by his comments.

Luke 7:36-50 Jesus' feet is washed by a sinful woman

"He who is forgiven much loves much. He who is forgiven little loves little." ~She was defended, she was forgiven, she was accepted.

John 13 – Jesus and His Disciples

Jesus aware that his hour had come to return to the Father

Jesus knowing that he had loved his own

Jesus knowing what the devil had already placed in Judas

Chose to love his disciples till to the end (**a new depth**)

Jesus loved by taking the place of the lowliest of slaves

Jesus loved by service. Jesus loved by washing their feet

***It is possible that the disciples had never washed anyone's feet

Peter's Response in John 13

"You will never wash my feet."

"Not only my feet, but my head and hands as well."

"I will die for you." v.37

Peter's Interaction with Jesus in John 21

After betraying Jesus and after Jesus' resurrection, at the word From John that Jesus was on the shore, Peter threw himself in the water and swam to Jesus.

Peter shows a different response then he did in Luke 5 when Peter first encountered Jesus on the sea.

"Peter fell at Jesus' knees saying, 'Depart from me, for I am a sinful man.'" Luke 5:8

A new commandment I give you ~ An old commandment brought back
Leviticus 19: 9-18 Love Your Neighbor
Love one another as I have loved you, love each other

A New Brand of Love

Pure. Authentic. Genuine

Dirty. Gritty. Humiliating.

Hidden. Abundant. Layered.

Real. Healing. Freeing. Bonding.

Transparent. Vulnerable. Scary. Intimidating.

By this 'Brand' of love, the world will know that you are my disciples.
John 13:35

Who needs this brand of love?

The world needs it.

Those around you needs it.

Pastor Kaipo needs it.

Possible you need it.

Life Group Response:

If you are comfortable and able, share your answers to these questions.

1. Share how God has loved you.
2. Share how God has used others to love you.
3. Share how God has used you to love others.
4. Share how any of these situations have helped to shape who you are today.
5. Read 2 Corinthians 5:14-6:2
6. What does it mean for you to be loved by God?
7. How can the love that you've experienced compel you, control you, catapult you to love others in Jesus name?