

I Am A Disciple of Jesus Series

“Disciples of Jesus are Characterized by Love”

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John 13:34-35

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- A. When it comes to _____, disciples of Jesus are supposed to be some kind of _____.
- B. The first element of a discipleship lifestyle is a commitment to developing _____.
- C. If you boil the message of the Bible down to its basic elements, it is about our relationship with _____ and our relationships with _____ (Mt. 22:37-40).
- D. God has created us to be able to grow and flourish best in a _____ of faith characterized by _____ relationships.
- E. Jesus’ method for disciple making involved entering into the _____ of others and building _____ with them.
- F. Jesus formed relationships with others to show them how much _____ the Father _____ them.
- G. Jesus’ relationships with others was characterized by _____ love - _____ love.
- H. Jesus tried to teach His disciples the primacy of serving people through loving relationships when He _____ their _____ (Jn. 13:12-15; 34-35).
- I. Jesus concludes that being characterized by love is the evidence of our true _____.
- J. It is important that we know how much Jesus _____ us and how Jesus _____ His love (1 Jn. 3:16).
- K. Jesus’ love transforms us into people who willingly _____ others with _____.
- L. Love is the _____ to many of the questions we face in life and _____.
- M. In 1 Corinthians 13, Paul introduces the subject of love by emphasizing that love must be the _____ and _____ for the right things we do (1 Cor. 13:1-3).
- N. Over and over, we notice that the message of the Bible is that love is _____ (Eph. 5:1-2; Gal. 5:6).
- O. In the New Testament, the early church was all about _____ and didn’t equate the church with a building or an institution.
- P. The word “church” is a translation of the Greek word *ekklesia*, which literally means “those _____.”
- Q. The best way to think of the church is to think of it as a large, spiritual _____ community, as an extended spiritual _____ (Acts 2:42-47).
- R. The only way for disciples of Jesus to be effective in helping other disciples _____ or in helping non-Christians become _____ is through loving relationships.
- S. We need to break through our culture of _____ and create the relationships that Jesus demonstrated and for which people are _____ and are _____ for.

Answer Key: A. love, fanatics. B. loving, relationships. C. God, others. D. community, loving. E. world, relationships. F. God, loved. G. self-giving, agape. H. washed, feet. I. discipleship. J. loved, demonstrated. K. serve, love. L. answer, ministry. M. motive, reason. N. most, important. O. relational, connectedness. P. called, out. Q. support, family. R. grow, disciples. S. isolation, made, longing.