

GROWTH GROUP QUESTIONS | 1.4.2026

The Master's Mighty Message | Luke 6:32-36

Reasons for Divine Love: A Desirable Reputation

Read Luke 6:27-38

1. Jesus repeatedly asks, "What benefit/credit/grace is that to you?" in verses 32-34. What point is Jesus making by comparing His disciples' love with the love of "sinners," and why is that comparison so convicting but also necessary?
2. The Greek word translated "benefit" or "credit" is *charis* (grace). How does that deepen Jesus' probing question? What does it suggest about how grace should be seen in a believer's life??
3. The message emphasized that believers are fundamentally different in nature, not just behavior. Why is it important to ground Christian ethics in regeneration rather than moral effort alone? What happens when we reverse that order?
4. Jesus highlights loving, doing good, and lending without expecting anything in return. Why is unreciprocated love such a clear marker of divine love rather than merely human kindness?
5. Think about your own relationships. Where are you most tempted to love conditionally or transactionally? To say, "After all I've done/put up with..." What does that reveal

about your heart rather than just your actions?

6. Verse 35 says we show ourselves to be “sons of the Most High.” How does understanding our adoption into God’s family change both our motivation and ability to love this way?
7. Jesus grounds His command in God’s character: “for He is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.” How does remembering God’s kindness toward us shape how we respond to difficult people today?
8. The sermon argued that divine love produces a desirable reputation that fuels gospel witness. Can you think of a time when someone’s selfless, sacrificial, or forgiving Christlike love made the gospel more compelling to you—or to others?
9. The sermon repeatedly stressed that this command is impossible apart from Christ and the Spirit. What practical habits help you depend on God’s grace rather than trying to “muscle through” obedience?
10. As a church, Jesus’ words raise a serious question: “What reputation are we cultivating?” Discuss this in relationship to your family, your workplace, and your community. Also, as our community watches how we as members of Grace Chapel love—especially those who can

offer nothing in return—what conclusions might they be drawing about our Father in heaven? What can you as a member do to help develop a desirable reputation?

What is one relationship or situation this week where God may be calling you to reflect His mercy in a costly way—and how can this group pray for you in that?