



MAIN SCRIPTURE

John 13:34-35 (NIV)

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

True _____ does not require agreement, approval, or similarity — it only requires _____ to the One who loved us first.

Love Is the New Command

Jesus does not say the world will know we are His _____ by our doctrine, our church size, our worship production, or our cultural relevance. He says they will know us by our _____.

The most powerful apologetic for the Gospel is not an _____ — it is a _____ of people who genuinely love each other across lines that the world cannot _____.

The kind of _____ Jesus commands is not just an internal _____; it is a visible, public, undeniable _____ that points straight back to Him.

Jesus set His own love as the _____, and His love had no _____.

Neighbor Is a Wider Word Than You Think

Luke 10:27 (NIV)

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind”; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

“Love your neighbor as yourself” is one of the most _____ and least _____ commands in human history.

The command is built on the _____ of self-love: however much care and consideration you give to your own well-being, that is the _____ for how you treat the person next to you.

Becoming like Christ means we spend our lives looking for those people _____ by the road, _____ by sin.

“Neighbor” in the Kingdom of God is a _____ word than any of us naturally want it to be.

Accept One Another as Christ Accepted You

Romans 15:7 (NIV)

“Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.”

Jesus is the _____: “as Christ accepted you.”

One of the most powerful things a church can do is make people feel genuinely _____ and genuinely _____ before they have done a single thing to earn it.

When we accept one another the way Christ accepted us — without _____, without _____, without a _____ — the church becomes a place where people encounter the grace of God not through a sermon alone but through the lived experience of genuine belonging.

The love Jesus calls us to does not have a _____, a _____, or a _____.

The truth is that most of us have invisible _____ — preferences and biases we have never really examined — that quietly shape who we warmly _____ and who we merely _____.

The love of Christ is the _____; we are just the _____ that gets to carry it somewhere.