



SERIES BIG IDEA:

Jesus used culturally relevant stories to share timeless kingdom truths to lead people to God.

Loving others isn't always easy especially when they don't respond the way we expect.

God's love for us never changes even when we don't respond the way we should.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

Lamentations 3:22 (ESV)

Loving others requires us to put others first.

True love requires sacrifice.

Greater love has no one that this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

John 15:13 (ESV)

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (ESV)

TEACHING BIG IDEA:

Love sacrifices for the sake of others.

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:10 ESV

God's family is his legacy of love.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

John 3:16 (KJV)

When we love others as we have been loved by God, we leave a legacy of love for all.



MY NOTES



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TEACHING SUMMARY:

Love requires sacrifice. There is no way around it. Without sacrifice love is just words. Sacrifice is where love becomes a verb and is put into action.

Mankind broke relationship with God and out of His love for us He moved to action.

He sent His Son to die on our behalf so we could have the choice to enter into a relationship with Him again.

God sacrificed His Son for us and when we have experienced such a love, we should be compelled to love others in the same way.

Scripture tells us we will be known as disciples of Christ by our love, and our love will be shown by our willingness to sacrifice for others. Sacrifice our time to tell others about Jesus. Sacrifice our resources so others can feel the love of Christ through our actions. Sacrifice our comfort, our desires, our dreams so that others can be shown the way to the One who will love more than we ever could. They can, through our sacrificial love, be shown the way to Jesus.

TALK-IT-OVER:

When was a time when you were the recipient of sacrificial love from someone else? What affect did that have on you?

How can you respond to the love Christ has shown you by sacrificially loving someone else?

What is one thing you can do to love as Jesus loved in a relationship that is difficult?

What is one next step you can take today?

Who do you need to share this with?

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING:

- Day 1) Psalm 36:5-7,
- Day 2) Psalm 31:16, 32:9-11
- Day 3) John 13:34, Mark 12:30-33
- Day 4) Proverbs 3:3-4
- Day 5) 2 Peter 1:3-9
- Day 6) 1 John 3:11-24