



## Loving Like Jesus 8.1.21

"I'm giving you a new commandment: Love each other in the same way that I have loved you." –Jesus, John 13:34 (GW)

## Love values, accepts, and believes in all people.

So Jesus left the Judean countryside and went back to Galilee. To get there, he had to pass through Samaria. John 4:3-4 (MSG)

So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar. He was tired from the journey so he sat down by the well. It was about noon. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" The Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) John 4:5-7, 9

[Jesus] told her, "Go, call your husband and come back." "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true." John 4:16-18 (NIV)

Treat everyone you meet with dignity. 1 Peter 2:17 (MSG)

John 8:1-11

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, Romans 8:1 (NIV)

Jesus treated us much better than we deserve. He made us acceptable to God and gave us the hope of eternal life. Titus 3:7 (CEV)

[Love] bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 1 Corinthians 13:7 (NASB)

And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep God's love really is. Ephesians 3:18 (NLT)

### Talk it Over! For my thoughts and LifeGroup\*

What's the best romantic movie you've ever seen?

What do you think Jesus means when he says "Love each other in the same way that I have loved you."?

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What do these words mean and what do they have in common? What happens to you when someone believes in you (and endures you)?

Read the famous story of the woman caught in adultery (John 8:1-11). What specific actions did Jesus do to make the woman feel valued, accepted and believed in?

What do we have to 'give up' in order to love like Jesus loves?

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