

The Heart of a Disciple: Loving One Another

During our 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting we are looking at the three great love commandments in the Bible: love God, love one another, and love our neighbors. As a church God has called us to be disciples who love God, one another, and our neighbors. All three of these commands are essential as disciples. Today's passage is found in some final important words that Jesus gave to His disciples on the night before His crucifixion. These words were vital in preparing Jesus' disciples for the day ahead of them. They are vital for us as well.

Read John 13:31-35

1. What command does Jesus give?
2. How does the context of this passage highlight how important this command was to Jesus?
3. There are commands in the Old Testament to love others and so why is this a NEW commandment?
4. Read John 15:12-13 and 1 John 3:16. What do these add to our understanding of what it means to love one another?
5. What are some ways that we should "lay down our lives for one another"?

