



Lesson 12: Love Does / Text: 1 John 4:7-16

Message focus: Embracing the call to love.

1. John says true believers embrace the universal call to love one another. (*1 John 4:7-8*) What was your general view of Christians before you became one? Would you say you were mainly hostile, neutral, or loving toward church goers?

A.

2. When it comes to love, we all do it discriminately. Why is it impossible to love everyone and everything equally?

A.

How can having a supreme love for God help us filter and channel our love? (*Matt. 22:37-39*)

A.

3. Christians are said to be "unloving" simply because they do not agree with or support the views or lifestyle choices of others. What are some examples of this in our society?

A.

Why should we not be shocked when this occurs? (*Matt. 5:11-13*)

A.

Why is it actually unloving to cave in or refuse to provide, when possible, a biblical perspective?

A.

4. God's love shown to us will compel us to love non-Christians. How does Jude describe the lengths we should be willing to go to help share Christ with others? (*Jude 1:20-23*)

A.

5. Before you became a Christian, which Christian most demonstrated, through their words and actions, the love of Jesus? How so? What impact did it have on you?

A.

6. If you could give some advice to the Christian community regarding our approach and attitude toward non-Christians what would it be? Why?

A.