

LOVE

MORE THAN WORDS

Part 5

MAJOR PREMISE

Love motivated Jesus to come to earth to _____.

Before the Passover festival, Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go back to the Father. Jesus loved his own who were in the world, and he loved them to the end.² While supper was taking place... he got up from the table, removed his outer clothes, took a towel, and tied it around his waist.⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel that he had tied around his waist.⁶ When Jesus came to Simon Peter, Peter asked him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" **John 13:1, 2-6** (GW)

For God so greatly loved and dearly prized the world that He [even] gave up His only begotten (unique) Son, so that whoever believes in (trusts in, clings to, relies on) Him shall not perish (come to destruction, be lost) but have eternal (everlasting) life. **John 3:16** (AMPC)

MINOR PREMISE

Love motivated Jesus to come to _____ a servant.

After Jesus had washed their feet... he took his place at the table again. Then he asked his disciples, "Do you understand what I've done for you."¹³ You call me teacher and Lord, and you're right because that's what I am.¹⁴ So if I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you must wash each other's feet.¹⁵ I've given you an example that you should follow." **John 13:12-14** (GW)

THEREFORE...

Loving Jesus entails being _____ and _____ others.

Peter looked at Jesus and said, "You'll never wash my dirty feet!" "But Peter, if you don't allow me to wash your feet," Jesus responded, "then you will not be

able to share life with me.”⁹ So Peter said, “Lord, in that case, don’t just wash my feet, wash my hands and my head too!” **John 13:8, 9** (Passion Paraphrase)

But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith will not fail. So when you recover, strengthen the other disciples.” **Luke 22: 32** (GW)

I, Simon Peter, am a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ. **2 Peter 1:1** (MP)

We know what true love looks like because of Jesus. He gave His life for us, and He calls us to give our lives for our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ If a person owns the things we need to make it in the world but refuses to share with those in need, is it even possible that God’s love lives in him? ²³ His command is clear: believe in the name of His Son, Jesus the Anointed, and love one another as He commanded. **1 John 3:16, 17, 23** (VOICE)

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus...⁷ He emptied himself by taking on the form of a servant. **Philippians 2: 5, 7** (GW)

If you love me, you will obey my commandments. **John 14:14** (GW)

SERENDIPITY

Blessing comes from being _____ and _____ others.

I will be blessed when I am served and when I am serving.

Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.
John 13:17 (NIV)

➤ **The ministry (s) I will utilize to be loved and served by are:**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

➤ **The ministry (s) I will utilize to be loving and serving are:**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____