



Jesus Never Said THAT: Everyone for Themselves

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Virtual Life Group Discussion

Encouragement:

Share examples of how you have seen LOVE throughout the Covid-19 pandemic.

Scripture:

Leader- choose 1 Scripture and reflection:

[Mark 12:28-34](#), -If love were pictured as a cross, who is at the center? How do we love God (vertical post)? How do we love others (horizontal post)?

[1 Corinthians 13:1-13](#)- Paul cautions that to act without love does not reflect the heart of God. How can we live and act while reflecting these attributes of love? (think family, neighbors, strangers, enemies...)

[Luke 10:25-37](#)- The Good Samaritan didn't ask "what will happen to me?" He asked "what will happen to this man?" What makes love hard and inconvenient? What makes it worth it?

Prayer: Praise God for the love He has toward us- so much that His Son died for us. Confess the lack of love we *feel*, but more importantly the lack of love we *do*. Thank God that we are not left to figure out love on our own- we have His great power at work with in us. Ask the Lord to increase our capacity to love others every day in word and in deed.

Next Steps:

How can you choose a "we over me" life this week?

Encourage group participants to utilize these resources:

www.whoisgrace.com/bethechurch

["Covid-19 Neighboring Toolkit"](#) from [The Art of Neighboring](#) author Dave Runyon.
(More information and resources for neighboring can be found at www.artofneighboring.com.)