

JOHN'S GOSPEL 10 STEP IV



# I AM the Resurrection

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## STEP 01

# It is for God's Glory

John 11:1-16

## Introduction

Recently, scientists have researched the effectiveness of prayer. They found five things. First, it improves your self-control. A stressful task was given to both praying people and non-praying people. Those who prayed did the task better. Second, it improves your character. In a situation of anger, those who were praying kept their temper and maintained their peace. Third, it enables you to be more willing to forgive others. Fourth, it improves your relationships. It helps you to get along with people and be more trusting of others. Fifth, it takes away the negative effects of your stress. When you pray for others, your stresses are decreased. When you pray for your own needs, your stresses do not increase nor decrease, but when you pray for others' well-being, your stresses are remarkably decreased. This is the mystery of intercessory prayer. There was also medical research. Prayer lowers your blood pressure and reduces your pulsation. It also harmonizes cardiopulmonary and improves your immune system. It also reduces your stress and increases your self-respect. Interestingly, the effects of Christians' prayer and meditation exceeded meditations of other religions. We learn prayers of faith from our text. We also learn about Jesus, the one who brings resurrection in our life.

1. Who were living in a town called Bethany (1)? What was their relationship with Jesus like (2)? What serious problem did they face (1,3)? What do you learn here about prayer (Ps 145:18-19)? <sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> **Ps 145:18-19** <sup>18</sup> The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth. <sup>19</sup> He fulfills the desires of those who fear Him; He hears their cry and saves them.

2. What did Jesus say about Lazarus' sickness (4)? How serious was Lazarus' sickness (11,13)? What is Jesus' view upon the problem He face? How should we see the problems we face (Ps 50:15)? What future event does Lazarus' death and resurrection point to (11:25-26)? <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> **Psalm 50:15** Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.

**11:25-26** <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; <sup>26</sup> and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"



3. What was Jesus' response to the news of Lazarus' sickness (6)? Why did He get there four days after Lazarus' death (11:39)? What does it tell us about Jesus our Lord (14-15)? What did Jesus say to His disciples after two days (7)? What did Jesus teach the disciples who were fearful about their own death (9-10)? What kind of faith do we need to have?<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> **11:39** "Take away the stone," he said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days."

# Reflection



## STEP 02

# I AM the Resurrection

John 11:17-44

### Introduction

A Christian's life is to participate in Jesus' death and resurrection. Romans 6:4 says, "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." God wants us to live a new life in the power of resurrection in Christ. However, many do not experience the power of the resurrection. Our text deals with Lazarus' death. He became very sick and the sisters, Mary and Martha, sent a word to Jesus to come and heal Lazarus. Yet Jesus didn't come and Lazarus died and was buried. On the fourth day of the burial (17), Jesus came. Let's learn how we can experience the resurrection power in Jesus Christ today.

1. How did Martha meet Jesus when He came after the four days (21-22)? What was Martha's response when Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again" (24)? What did Jesus say to Martha (25-26)? What does Jesus teach about the resurrection in Him?

2. How did Mary meet Jesus [32]? What does Mary's act of being at the feet of Jesus teach you [32; Lk 10:39; 12:3]? What does the fact that "Jesus wept" teach you [35; Heb 4:16]? What does it teach you about the life of prayer? <sup>4</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> **Lk 10:39** She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.

**12:3** Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

**Heb 4:16** Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

3. What was the response of the Jews at the weeping of Jesus (36-37)? What did Jesus say at the tomb of Lazarus (38)? What was Martha's response (39)? What did Jesus say to her (40)? How did people show their faith (41-43)? What do you learn here about the importance of faith?

# Reflection





## STEP 03

# The Death for the Whole World

John 11:45-57

## Introduction

In John 11, we see Lazarus' death and resurrection. Since the creation of the world, death is the thing that people were afraid of. The Bible tells us that it is the last enemy that will be defeated. Lazarus' resurrection is the exemplification of Jesus' resurrection through which Jesus will accomplish His redemptive work for the world. In our text, we can see the three different responses of the Jews. What response should we have toward Jesus' work?

1. What happened among many of the Jews because of Lazarus' resurrection (45)? Why was Lazarus' resurrection such a powerful influence to the Jews (Ro 1:4)? What do you learn here about Jesus our Lord (11:25-26)? <sup>5</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> **Ro 1:4** and who through the Spirit of holiness was appointed the Son of God in power by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.

**11:25-26** <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; <sup>26</sup> and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

2. What response did other Jews show toward Lazarus' resurrection (46)? Why did they go to the Pharisees? What do you learn about the world of faith through this event?

3. What meeting did they call (47)? What fear caused them to call a meeting of the Sanhedrin (48)? In what way, do people reject today too? What did Caiaphas, the high priest that year, say (49-50)? In what way, did God use Caiaphas (51-53)? What do you learn here about the Lord our God (Ac 4:10-12)? <sup>6</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> **Ac 4:10-12** <sup>10</sup> then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. <sup>11</sup> Jesus is “the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone.” <sup>12</sup> Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.”

# Reflection



## STEP 04

# The Devotion that Jesus is Pleased With

John 12:1-11

## Introduction

Through raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus completed seven miracles in John's gospel. Lazarus' resurrection was the exemplification of His own resurrection. Ultimately, it declared that Jesus is God who came to save us through His death and resurrection (Ro 1:4). This lesson teaches us how to worship Jesus as our Lord and Savior.



1. When did Jesus visit the home of Lazarus (1)? What did Martha do for Jesus when He visited her home (2)? Why did she diligently serve meal? What does the Bible tell us about the importance of serving (Ro 12:1-5)? <sup>7</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> **Ro 12:1-5** <sup>1</sup>Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. <sup>3</sup> For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. <sup>4</sup> For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

2. Where was Lazarus (2b)? In what way is our presence itself is worship? What does the Bible tell us that we should gather together diligently (Heb 10:25)? Why was a large crowd coming to Jesus (9,11)? In what sense, can your transformation be a testimony for people to come to Jesus? <sup>8</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> **Heb 10:25** not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

3. What did Mary do to Jesus (3)? How expensive is a pint of pure nard (5)? What is the symbol of women's hair (1 Cor 11:15)? What kind of love did Mary have toward Jesus? How can you give such love to Jesus? <sup>9</sup>

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<sup>9</sup> **1 Cor 11:15** but that if a woman has long hair, it is her glory? For long hair is given to her as a covering.

4. What did Judas Iscariot say (4-5)? What was his true intention (6)? How did Jesus accept Mary's devotion toward Himself (7)? What value did Jesus teach people of loving Him?

**Reflection**

## STEP 05

# The Triumphal Entry

John 12:12-19

## Introduction

In the previous lesson, we've learned that Jesus was anointed by Mary. The event happened six days before the Passover. The Passover is the greatest feast for the Jews. They celebrated God's deliverance in Egypt from the plague of the firstborn and the exodus of 430 years of slavery. Our text today deals with the event of Jesus entering Jerusalem. It happened the following day of Mary appointing Jesus. The population of Jerusalem was 200,000 during Jesus' time. Usually, two million Jews gathered during the Passover and a triumphal general entered their capital city, riding on a white horse with the music of a military band. POW followed the procession, bound by ropes. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem was not so glorious; He rode on a colt. His disciples who looked homeless followed Him. Why did Jesus who is God the Creator enter His city in such a poorly way? Today, let us learn who Jesus is in three ways.

1. How did people welcome Jesus when He entered into Jerusalem (12-13)? In what way, did Jesus enter into Jerusalem (14)? Why did Jesus who has all authority in heaven and earth choose such a humble way in entering Jerusalem (Php 2:5-7)? What do you learn from His humility (1 Cor 4:12-13)? <sup>10</sup>

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<sup>10</sup> **Php 2:5-7** <sup>5</sup> In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: <sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; <sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

**1 Cor 4:12-13** <sup>12</sup> We work hard with our own hands. When we are cursed, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure it; <sup>13</sup> when we are slandered, we answer kindly. We have become the scum of the earth, the garbage of the world—right up to this moment.

2. To what degree did Jesus serve us (Mt 20:28)? What did He declare in the time of His death (19:30)? What was His purpose of death (1 Pe 2:24)? What do you learn from His sacrifice? What is your purpose in following Jesus? <sup>11</sup>

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<sup>11</sup> **Mt 20:28** just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

**19:30** When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

**1 Pe 2:24** "He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."



3. What prophecy did Jesus fulfill (14-15; Zec 9:9)? What would Jesus also fulfill through His entry (Zec 9:10)? What does the Bible tell us about His final victory (Rev 19:11-15)? Who can participate in His eternal victory? What is the glory we will share on that day (Rev 20:4)? <sup>12</sup>

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<sup>12</sup> **Zec 9:9** Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

**Zec 9:10** I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

**Rev 19:11-15** <sup>11</sup> I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. <sup>12</sup> His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. <sup>13</sup> He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. <sup>14</sup> The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. <sup>15</sup> Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty.

**Rev 20:4** I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

# Reflection



## STEP 06

# How Can Life Come from Death?

John 12:20-36

### Introduction

In the previous text, we learned that Jesus entered Jerusalem, riding on a donkey's colt. He is a humble king; He served many people and sacrificed Himself to save us. He is also the king of victory; He rose from the dead and now He is at the right hand of the throne of God. He'll come back in the Father's glory. In today's text, Jesus teaches us the meaning of His upcoming cross. Through it, we learn why He came to this earth, how He accomplished His purpose, and how we can participate in the works of Jesus.

1. What request did some Greeks make to Philip (20-21)? What did Philip do (22)? In what sense, was it pleasing Jesus that Greeks came to see Him (Lk 19:10)? How serious it is that one is lost in sin? How much do you give efforts to find the lost? <sup>13</sup>

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<sup>13</sup> **Lk 19:10** For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

2. What was Jesus' response to the news of the visit of Greeks (23)?  
What did "the hour" and "the glory" refer to? In what sense, was Jesus' crucifixion His glory? In what sense, does the illustration of a kernel of wheat describes the fruit of Jesus' sacrifice? What kind of sacrifice was it (Ro 5:7-8)? <sup>14</sup>

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<sup>14</sup> **Ro 5:7-8** <sup>7</sup> Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

3. What kind of life should we live as followers of Christ (25-26)? What pains did Jesus feel as He faced His cross (27a)? How did Jesus accept His cross (27b-28)? What attitude do you learn from Jesus to carry our own cross (Lk 9:23)? What voice came from heaven (28)? What amazing things will be accomplished through Jesus' cross (31-36)?<sup>15</sup>

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<sup>15</sup> **Lk 9:23** Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.

**Reflection**





## STEP 07

# Three Responses of the Crowd

John 12:37-50

## Introduction

The purpose of Jesus' coming to earth was to save the whole world from sins. The way to accomplish this was through the cross that Jesus became a kernel of wheat. In John 12, Jesus' public ministry ends. In it, we see three responses of the crowds. The key word that describes the people's responses was "faith." So the word, "faith" is repeated in this text 8 times.

1. What was people's response to Jesus even after seeing many signs Jesus had performed (37)? What did their unbelief fulfill (38; Isa 53:1)? What else did the prophet Isaiah prophesy about people's unbelief (39-41)? What does God do when we reject Him (Ro 1:24,26,28)? What should we do in order to prevent our hearts from becoming hardened? <sup>16</sup>

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<sup>16</sup> **Isa 53:1** Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

**Ro 1:24** Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another.

**Ro 1:26** Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones.

**Ro 1:28** Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done.

2. Many even among the leaders believed in Jesus. Despite their belief, in what way was their faith still incomplete (42; Ja 2:19)? What should we seek first in our life of faith (43)? What is the authentic Christian faith (Lk 9:23)? <sup>17</sup>

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<sup>17</sup> **Ja 2:19** You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.

**Lk 9:23** Then he said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.”

3. What does Jesus teach about believing in Him (44-46)? What happens when we reject Jesus to the end (47-48)? What do the teachings of Jesus do for those who are led by him (49-50)? What should we do to Jesus and His teaching?

# Reflection



## STEP 08

# Jesus Washed the Disciples' Feet

John 13:1-17

## Introduction

Jesus finished His public ministry in John chapter 12. In chapters 13-17, Jesus focused on helping the twelve disciples to prepare their hearts for His upcoming cross. Our text today happened the day before His crucifixion. Jesus washed His disciples' feet. In Israel, during the dry season, there was lots of dust. During the rainy season, the road became muddy. Therefore, it was necessary for people to wash their feet before entering a house. This job was given to the lowest servant. However, Jesus, the most precious one, washed the disciples' feet. What can we learn from this?



1. What did Jesus do for His disciples when His death was imminent (1-5)? What is the love of this world like? What is Jesus' love? How can you characterize the unfailing love of Jesus (Lk 22:19-20,24)? <sup>18</sup>

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<sup>18</sup> **Lk 22:19-20** <sup>19</sup> And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

<sup>20</sup> In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

**Lk 22:24** A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest.

2. What was Simon Peter's response to Jesus who wanted to wash his feet (6-8)? What did Jesus say to Peter (7-8)? What truth did Jesus teach Peter through this act (Mt 26:28; Mk 10:45)? What did Peter say to Jesus (9)? What did Jesus say to Peter (10-11)? What does this tell us about our Christian lives? <sup>19</sup>

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<sup>19</sup> **Mt 26:28** This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

**Mk 10:45** For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

3. What does Jesus say about the meaning of washing the disciples' feet (12-15)? Why does Jesus want His disciples to live a life of serving (Mt 28:19-20)? How did Peter apply Jesus' words in His own life and ministry (1 Pe 5:5)? What does Jesus say about the life of serving? What do you learn about the biblical view of a blessing? <sup>20</sup>

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<sup>20</sup> **Mt 28:19-20** <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

**1 Pe 5:5** In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."

**Reflection**



## STEP 09

# Judas Iscariot who Betrayed Jesus

John 13:18-30

## Introduction

Judas Iscariot is the one who ended his life most miserably. He was called by Jesus to be one of the twelve disciples. He was honored to be in charge of finances in Jesus' ministry. Yet he sold Jesus to the chief priest for the 30 pieces of silver. Jesus said that it would have been better for him not to be born (Mt 14:21). If one of the twelve disciples betrayed Jesus, it can happen to us too. In what way, should we follow Jesus?

1. What did Jesus say during the Last Supper (18)? What pain did Jesus suffer as He was betrayed by His beloved disciple (21, Ps 42:9)? What was Jesus' real concern at that time (19-20)? What caused Judas Iscariot to betray Jesus (13:8; 2 Cor 13:5)? <sup>21</sup>

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<sup>21</sup> **Ps 42:9** I say to God my Rock, "Why have you forgotten me? Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the enemy?"

**13:8** Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me."

**2 Cor 13:5** Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test?

2. How did the disciples respond to Jesus (22-25)? How did Jesus reply to the disciples' question (26)? What kind of problem did Judas have (12:4-6; Mt 6:24; 1 Ti 6:10)? Do you have any similar problems to Judas Iscariot such as the love of money, lust, anger, pride, etc.?<sup>22</sup>

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<sup>22</sup> **12:4-6** <sup>4</sup> But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, <sup>5</sup> "Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages." <sup>6</sup> He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

**Mt 6:24** "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

**1 Ti 6:10** For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.



3. What happened to Judas when he received the bread Jesus gave him (27)? Why were the other disciples unable to understand what Jesus was saying (28-29)? What did Judas do after receiving the bread from Jesus (30)? What do you see here to be the importance of ruling our thought world through God's word (13:2; Ja 1:15)? What do you learn about the importance of repentance (Isa 1:18; Hos 6:1)? <sup>23</sup>

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<sup>23</sup> **13:2** During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him

**Ja 1:15** Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

**Isa 1:18** "Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

**Hos 6:1** "Come, let us return to the Lord. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds.

**Reflection**



## STEP 10

# The New Command Jesus Gave

John 13:31-38

### Introduction

In chapter 13, Jesus had the Last Supper with the disciples. At that time, He also washed the disciples' feet. During this time, Jesus predicted the betrayal of Judas Iscariot. How painful of an event it was! Yet, He wasn't overcome by His own sorrows and pains. He gave the disciples, a new command: "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another" (34). We are supposed to establish the community of love among God's people. However, it is not so easy; we often hurt each other. This is why Jesus gave the disciples the new command, "Love one another." It is not optional but should be obeyed.

1. When Judas Iscariot left, what did Jesus say (31-32)? In what sense, was it the time of glory (12:23-24)? What is your conviction in Jesus as you follow Him and participate in His sufferings (Ro 8:28)? <sup>24</sup>

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<sup>24</sup> **12:23-24** <sup>23</sup> Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.

**Ro 8:28** And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who[a] have been called according to his purpose.

2. What was Simon Peter's response when Jesus gave the new command (36a)? What was Jesus' answer to him (36b)? What was Peter's confidence toward his own faithfulness to Jesus (37)? What did Jesus say to him (38)? What prayer did Jesus have for Peter (Lk 22:31-33)?<sup>25</sup>

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<sup>25</sup> **Luke 22:31-33** <sup>31</sup> Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup> "Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

3. What was Jesus' new command (34)? What was the old command (Lev 19:18)? What is the difference between the old and the new command? Where can we find true love so that we can love others beyond our own love (1 Jn 4:7-8)? What should be our aim in our life of faith? What blessing do we have when we fulfill Jesus' new command (35)? <sup>26</sup>

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<sup>26</sup> **Lev 19:18** “Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.

**1 Jn 4:7-8** <sup>7</sup> Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup> Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

**Reflection**



# Prayer Topics

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