

John 13.31-38: Disjointed Conversations?  
Growth Group Questions  
Week of February 8, 2015



1. Our hearts are like a tweeter account or radio station that is sending out the same message over and over again: “It’s all about you.” But what truth do we discover in John 13.31-32?
  - a. Share some examples and results in our lives of how we keep making pretty much everything about us.
  - b. How do we join God in bringing glory/pleasure to Himself? Look a little further in John 15.8, and Matthew 5.16. Share practical ways we can make it all about Him.
  
2. Jesus gives us a “new” command in John 13.34-35. But it seems like an old command, even an Old Testament command. See Leviticus 19.17-18, 34. What makes Jesus’ command “new?”
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. While we are commanded by God to be like Him in loving outsiders and even our enemies (Matthew 5.43-47, John 3.16, etc.), *the context of our passage* (read John 13.34-35) seems to be focused on loving fellow followers of Jesus as an important form of evangelism, of mission.
  - a. Share a specific time other believers in Jesus have loved you in real, practical ways.
  - b. How can this believers-loving-other-believers-love be missional, evangelistic?
  - c. What are some cautions about this kind of love?
  - d. How can we be more intentional in our believers-loving-other-believers-love so those watching will want to know more about Jesus?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. How is your group doing on discovering a practical place of serving others together? Please have someone from your group let our church office know this week what your group is up to, for His glory.

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