

1. The standard of love in the Greatest Commandment, Second Commandment, and the New Commandment are different. Why do you think the standard of love in the New Commandment is higher than the standard of love in the Second Commandment?
2. Of the examples cited in the way Jesus loves (Humility, Through Conflict, Material Needs, and laying down His life) which ones come most easily for you? why?
3. What are some motivations that move you to “do good” toward others in the church? Are they consistent with the standard of Jesus love?
4. When you find it difficult to love as Jesus, what are some practical things you can do to grow in loving His way more consistently?
5. In our country and culture, we are rarely faced with putting our lives “on the line.” So the sacrifices we make to love like Jesus are less costly. What are some common excuses we might make in order to avoid loving like Jesus? (for example, someone might say, “He doesn’t deserve it.”) Explain why those excuses are invalid for a believer to make.
6. Before you became a follower of Jesus, did the love of a certain Christian, or group of Christians, influence you to follow Jesus? Describe that.