

JESUS LOVES PEOPLE

"Love cures people---it cures both the ones who give it as well as the ones who receive it." – Dr. Karl Minninger

"I am convinced that nine out of every ten people who go to see a psychiatrist don't need one. What they need is someone who will show them God's love, and they will get better." – Dr. Paul Tournier

Mark 10:17-22 Now as he was going out on the road, one came running, knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?' And Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments: "Do not commit adultery," "Do not murder," "Do not steal," "Do not bear false witness." "Do not defraud," "Honor your father and your mother." 'And he answered and said so him, 'Teacher, all these things I have kept from my youth.' Then Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, 'One thing you lack: Go your way, sell whatever you have and give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow me.' But he was sad at this word and he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions."

- **Jesus never met _____ He didn't love.**

Romans 8:38 "Nothing shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

1 John 4:4 Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. God is love.

"There is no truth in all of the Bible that should affect us as much as the love of God." – D.L. Moody

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1. **Jesus loves people _____.**

- The love of Jesus Christ was _____ for every individual He ever met.

2. Jesus loves people _____.

John 13:34 "As I have loved you, so you must love one another." "I've loved you, now you love one another. What I've done for you, do to one another."

Mark 12:28-31 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you should love the Lord your God with all of your heart, all of your soul, all of your mind, all of your strength.' This is the first and greatest commandment." And before they could get any word edgewise, he said, "But the second one is like it. 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no greater commandment than these."

Matthew 5:43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You will love your neighbor and hate your enemies.' But I say unto you, love your enemies."

- We have a divine _____ to love people with the love of Christ.

Romans 5:5 ...God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

"[The Christians] not only feed their own, but ours also; welcoming them with their agape, they attract them.... Whilst the pagan priests neglect the poor, the hated Galileans devote themselves to works of charity" —Julian the Apostate

3. Jesus loves people through us, _____.

Mark 10:21 Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

- Responsible Love doesn't turn a _____ _____ to every kind of behavior in the name of tolerance.

Philippians 1:8-10 "For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ." ⁹ "And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and in all discernment, ¹⁰ that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense until the day of Christ."

1 Corinthians 13:6 Love does not rejoice in iniquity, it rejoices in truth.

1 John 4:9 In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.