

# jesUS: God's Love Compels US Called to Love Pastor Jason John May 28, 2023

**SERIES TEXT**: This is how we know what love is: JesUS Christ laid down his life for US. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. 1 John 3:16 NIV

**SERIES BIG IDEA**: God's love compels US. Since God so loved US, we also ought to love one another.

#### CALLED TO LOVE

Jesus' Love compels us to love others... Because this is exactly what we've been called to.

## The Why

- ♦ God never intended for us to live alone.
  - Love God, Love people
- ♦ The Great Sign of the Holy Spirit is found in the power to be a witness.
  - Acts 1:8
     "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

#### The How

## "Created to be a River, Not a pond"

♦ When God Blesses, he has more in mind than just you - Dave Martin

# 3 Areas of Ministry

## The World

• 2 Cor 2:15-16; 3:5-6 NLT

15 Our lives are a Christ-like fragrance rising up to God. But this fragrance is perceived differently by those who are being saved and by those who are perishing. 16 To those who are perishing, we are a dreadful smell of death and doom. But to those who are being saved, we are a life-giving perfume. And who is adequate for such a task as this?

5 It is not that we think we are qualified to do anything on our own. Our qualification comes from God. 6 He has enabled us to be ministers of his new covenant. This is a covenant not of written laws, but of the Spirit. The old written covenant ends in death; but under the new covenant, the Spirit gives life.

## The Church

Romans 12:13
 Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Disciplining Disciples"

#### The Home

• 1 Timothy 5:8

But those who won't care for their relatives, especially those in their own household, have denied the true faith. Such people are worse than unbelievers.

• One of the highest places we can be called to is in our own families.

# What if I don't know what to do or where to go?

• Live for Christ

Luke 6:38 "Give away your life; you'll find life given back, but not merely given back—given back with bonus and blessing. Giving, not getting, is the way. Generosity begets generosity."

• It all starts with relationship

Focus on the WHO that provides it...Go to the source!

## Has God done a miracle in your life?

#### **SALVATION PRAYER:**

Dear Jesus, I repent of my sin. Please be my Savior and Lord. In Jesus' Name, Amen.