

HOPE SABBATH SCHOOL

The Teachings of Jesus – Part 7

Living Like Christ

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School--an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies entitled The Teachings of Jesus. Our topic today: The teaching of Jesus about living like Christ.

Scripture Theme Song: “Let the word of Christ” – Colossians 3:16

- 1) Love one another I have loved you
 - a) John 13:34
 - b) How did Jesus love?
 - i) Matthew 9:36; Matthew 14:14; Matthew 15:32
 - ii) John 11:5, 33-35
 - iii) Mark 10:21
 - iv) Mark 10:13-16
 - v) Matthew 20:28
 - vi) Acts 10:38
- 2) Love you neighbor
 - a) Luke 10:27-37
 - b) Who is your neighbor?
 - c) How does this story relate to the teaching of Jesus in Matthew 7:12?
 - d) How is it possible to show love to everyone in need? Is that what God is asking you to do?
- 3) Love those in need
 - a) Luke 10:42-45
 - b) Matthew 25:31-46
- c) Is loving service a means of salvation or an evidence of a living connection with our Savior?
- d) Share a time when someone reached out to you in loving service.
- 4) Love your enemies
 - a) Matthew 5:43-45
 - b) Luke 23:34
 - c) Colossians 1:21-22
 - d) Luke 6:32-36
 - e) Romans 12:21.
 - f) What is the meaning of Romans 12:20?
 - g) Consider the example of Stephen the deacon: Acts 7:54-60
 - h) Share a story when God invited you to reach out in love to someone who treated you like an enemy.
- 5) How is such a loving Christ-like life possible?
 - a) John 15:1-12
 - b) Galatians 2:20
 - c) Who have you met on your Christian journey whose life reveals the love of Christ?
- 6) Discussion questions
 - a) How can we more fully reveal the love of Christ in our daily interactions?
 - b) What counsel would you give to someone whose natural reaction is to want to get even if someone wrongs her, or if someone wrongs him?
 - c) What lessons can we learn from the life of Jesus about the consequences of living a loving Christ-like life?