

# BE AN EXAMPLE

Lesson #3 Example in Love  
Scripture Reading: John 15:9-13

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## Introduction:

1. The greatest attribute of being a Christian is love -1Co 13:13
2. We must exemplify the love of Christ in our lives.
3. We are an example of love through our love for...

## I. OUR GOD

### A. WE SHOW LOVE TOWARD GOD BY

1. Following the example of Jesus -Jn 15:13
2. Obeying the greatest commandment -Mt 22:37-ff
3. Keeping His word -Jn 14:15

### B. APPLICATION: Others will follow our example

1. Others followed after Paul's example -Ph 1:12-14
2. Timothy was encouraged to follow the example of Paul -2Ti 4:1-5

## II. HIS PEOPLE

### A. INTERNAL BENEFITS: i.e. we are family

### B. OTHERS WILL KNOW WE ARE HIS -Jn 13:34, 35

### C. OTHERS KNOW BY WHAT IS DEMONSTRATED

1. Faith is demonstrated -Ja 2:14-ff
2. Love of God is seen in us -1Jn 3:16, 17; 4:19, 20

## III. THE LOST

### A. JESUS DEMONSTRATED HIS LOVE FOR THE LOST

1. Through compassion -Mt 9:36
2. Through laying His life down -Jn 15:13

### B. JESUS SAVED US FROM OUR SINS

1. His love demonstrated on the cross -Ro 5:6-9
2. His blood has redeemed us from sin -Ep 1:7

### C. WE IMITATE HIS LOVE FOR THE LOST

1. We have the treasure in earthen vessels -2Co 4:7
2. We know the terror of the Lord, so we persuade men -2Co 5:9
3. We are compelled by the love of Christ -2Co 5:20

## Conclusion:

1. Today, the love of God is seen through His people
2. We therefore, must demonstrate the love of God to one another and to the lost.