

The Way: The Way of Love
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1 Corinthians 13:13-14:1 NIV

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. **Follow the way of love ...**

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Jesus Sees People Others Don't See

Luke 19:5-10 NIV

When Jesus reached the spot, **he looked up** and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

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Jesus Loves Cross-Culturally

John 4:7-9, 27-30 NLT

Soon a Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Please give me a drink." He was alone at the time because his disciples had gone into the village to buy some food. The woman was surprised, for **Jews refuse to have anything to do with Samaritans**. She said to Jesus, "You are a **Jew**, and I am a **Samaritan woman**. Why are you asking me for a drink?" ... Just then his disciples came back. They were shocked to find him talking to a **woman**, but none of them had the nerve to ask, "What do you want with her?" or "Why are you talking to her?" The woman left her water jar beside the well and ran back to the village, telling everyone, "Come and see a man who told me everything I ever did!"

Could he possibly be the Messiah?" So the people came streaming from the village to see him.

Acts 11:26 NLT

... It was at Antioch that the believers were first called **Christians**.

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Jesus Speaks the Truth in Love

Mark 1:15 NIV

"The time has come,' he said. 'The kingdom of God has come near. **Repent** and believe the good news!"

John 8:7-11 NIV

... **"Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.'** ... At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. Jesus straightened up and asked her, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir,' she said. 'Then neither do I condemn you,' Jesus declared. **'Go now and leave your life of sin.'**"

1 Corinthians 13:1 NIV

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, **I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.**

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Jesus Loves Until It Hurts

John 13:34-35 NLT

"So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. **Just as I have loved you, you should love each other.** Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."