

HOW TO LOVE LIKE JESUS

STUDY GUIDE

Mark 12:28-31, Luke 2:41-52, John 4:1-42

Observation questions

1. In Luke 2:49, what does Jesus mean when He says He must be “about My Father’s business”? What does this reveal about how early Jesus understood His purpose?
2. In John 4, what social, cultural, and spiritual barriers existed between Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well?
3. What actions demonstrate that the Samaritan woman’s encounter with Jesus resulted in transformation rather than just information?

Interpretation questions

1. The sermon emphasizes “beginning with the end in mind.” How does an eternal perspective change the way we approach everyday decisions, relationships, and conflicts?
2. Jesus “had to go through Samaria,” not geographically, but missionally. What does this teach us about divine purpose versus human convenience?
3. The message describes worship as more than music—it is a way of life. How does living a life of worship reshape how we work, speak, vote, serve, and treat others?
4. What is the danger of allowing personal convictions to override the Great Commission? How can this lead to a “compromised calling”?

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Application questions

1. Are you currently living with eternity in mind, or are most of your decisions driven by what feels urgent, comfortable, or secure right now?
2. Who are the “Jews” in your life—people you naturally relate to, agree with, or feel safe around? Who are the “Samaritans”—people God may be calling you to love intentionally even though you don’t naturally relate to them?
3. Think about your daily rhythm. Where might God be inviting you to embrace a divine interruption rather than avoid it?
4. Is there anyone you’ve written off because of their past, their beliefs, their lifestyle, or their choices? What would it look like to see them the way Jesus does?
5. When was the last time you prioritized someone’s eternal future over winning an argument, protecting your image, or defending your preferences?
6. If someone observed your life closely, would they say you speak about Jesus more than you live like Him—or that your life consistently reflects Him?