

THE MOST EXCELLENT WAY

LOVE

3. LOVE IS KIND

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Kindness to others is Kindness to Jesus

“Simon, son of John, do you love me
more than these?”

He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know
that I love you.” He said to him,

“Feed my lambs.”

John 21:15





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37 "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'





“MARY SAT DOWN ATTENTIVELY BEFORE THE MASTER, ABSORBING EVERY REVELATION HE SHARED

MARY HAS DISCOVERED THE ONE THING MOST IMPORTANT BY CHOOSING TO SIT AT MY FEET. SHE IS UNDISTRACTED, AND I WON'T TAKE THIS PRIVILEGE FROM HER”

LUKE 10:42

LOVE

HOW CAN I BE KIND TO GOD AND OTHERS?

TIME
ATTENTION
BEING INTERESTED
LISTENING
IS
KINDNESS

PATIENCE AND KINDNESS COUPLED TOGETHER





LOVE

HOW CAN I BE KIND TO GOD
AND OTHERS?

KNOWING AND DOING WHAT PLEASES THAT
PERSON, WHAT THEY ENJOY AND MAKES
THEM HAPPY IS KINDNESS

AVOIDING WHAT OFFENDS OR DISPLEASES
THAT PERSON IS KINDNESS

SO I CONCLUDE THAT IF MY EATING
CERTAIN FOOD DEEPLY OFFENDS MY
BROTHER AND HINDERS HIS ADVANCE IN
CHRIST, I WILL NEVER EAT IT AGAIN. I
DON'T WANT TO BE GUILTY OF CAUSING
MY BROTHER OR SISTER TO BE WOUNDED
AND DEFEATED.

1 COR. 8:13



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“... A COMPLETELY UNDESERVED KINDNESS
AND GENEROSITY”

THEOLOGIAN JOHN OSWALT

HESED IS NOT JUST A FEELING, BUT AN
ACTION.

“HESED IS NEVER MERELY AN ABSTRACT
FEELING OF GOODWILL, BUT ALWAYS
ENTAILS PRACTICAL ACTION ON BEHALF OF
ANOTHER”

DR. WILL KYNES.





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LOVINGKINDNESS IS BUILT OUT OF TWO OTHER WORDS, IT COMBINES THE DEFINITIONS OF BOTH.

IT MEANS TENDERNESS AND CONSIDERATION TOWARDS OTHERS.

THOSE ARE THE KEY WORDS CAPTURING THE ESSENCE OF LOVINGKINDNESS; IT IS ALWAYS TOWARDS OTHERS. THIS IS AN OUTWARD EXPRESSION, NOT ONE OF SELF-SEEKING MOTIVATION.

“BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL, AND FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS: WHO FORGIVES ALL YOUR INIQUITIES, HEALS ALL YOUR DISEASES, WHO REDEEMS YOUR LIFE FROM DESTRUCTION, WHO CROWNS YOU WITH **LOVINGKINDNESS** AND TENDER MERCIES...”

(PSALM 103:3-4 NKJV)

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Now the business of our lives is to have these things fitted into our character. That is the supreme work to which we need to address ourselves in this world, to learn to love.

But how can we learn so great a lesson?

Only by practice.

Looking at pictures does not make a man an artist; and listening to music does not make one a musician; the paints must be mixed, and the instruments must be played.

In like manner we can love in no other way than by loving.



“The Greatest is Love” W. Graham Scroggie p18





In Small Groups Discuss:

Share a story when someone's act of kindness touched your life

Share a story when your act of kindness touched someone



Love is Kind

