



LOVING GOD & LOVING OTHERS

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Matthew 22:34-40

An Example from the Life of Jesus Mark 1:29-42

Loving God & Loving Others...

- ...flows out of God's love for us.

- ...is best expressed in relationships with other followers of Christ.

- ...requires making time to connect with people who need Jesus.

Next Steps

- I will set aside intentional time with God at least three times this week.
- I will identify one way to go deeper in relationships with others this week.
- I will make an honest evaluation of my usage of time this week.



Bridge LifeGroups are **currently on summer break**. We will continue to provide questions in abbreviated form each week for personal study and/or discussion for LifeGroups choosing to meet during a portion of the break.

Lesson Aim: To grow in our desire to love God and love others.

1. What is it about Jesus that makes you follow Him?
2. **READ Mark 1:1-45.** Why do you suppose Jesus started His public ministry in a synagogue? What two things amazed the people about Jesus? Why?
3. How does Jesus' healing (vs. 30-31) compare with His exorcism (v. 25)? What new realm of authority is seen here?

4. After a day like this (vs. 29-34) what pressures could Jesus feel as a new day dawns? What might He pray about (vs. 35)? How might this relate to His decision to move on (vs. 38)?

5. Why is the leper unsure about Jesus' desire to help (see Leviticus 13)? What is significant about Jesus touching the leper prior to healing Him?

6. Where do you need a special touch from Jesus this week? How can you "touch lepers" in your community?

Daily Devotional Plan – Take a closer look at the life of Jesus as we learn what it means to follow Him.

Day 1 – Mark 1

Day 2 – Mark 2

Day 3 – Mark 3

Day 4 – Mark 4

Day 5 – Mark 5

Day 6 – Mark 6

Day 7 – Mark 7