



JESUS REALLY LOVES YOU

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JOHN 13:1 NKJV – (1) Now before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

Jesus' earthly life was characterized by love, and one of His last teachings involved the need for Christians to be humble and loving towards others. His care for others is also shown in the events described in these last moments prior to His betrayal and execution.

Verses 1 through **3** give special insight into what Jesus knows, behind the scenes, during these final hours.

Jesus' sacrifice on the cross was an expression of love for all mankind. His acts of love, and the example He showed by them, are enhanced when it comes to those who are "his own who were in the world." Christians are meant to be loving to all people, but especially so to fellow believers. Later in this passage, Jesus will point to mutual love as the definitive sign of faith used to identify Christians to the rest of the world (**John 13:35**).

I want everyone to know who is reading this meditation, "**Jesus really loves you.**" I want to remind you that Jesus brings us love. He came in love. He was born into this world because of his love for us. He doesn't just tolerate you, and He isn't merely fond of you. He loved you enough to leave the ivory palaces of heaven to descend into a world of woe.

We can always travel back through the centuries, gaze into the nativity and tell ourselves that God really loves me. He came down in from heaven in a burst of redeeming love! Why? Because He really loves you.

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:8

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: As His children we're to be conveyors of His love to the world.