

“The Gospel of John”

Lesson #41 - John 13:31-38

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I. Introduction

A. A New Commandment v.31-35

“But it is mainly the deeds of love so noble that lead many to put a brand on upon us. ‘See’ they say, how the love one another,’ for they themselves are animated by mutual hatred; ‘see how they are ready even to die for one another,’ for they themselves will rather put to death.” Tertullian

B. Painful Prophecy (in all 4 Gospels) v.36-38

II. Conclusion

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Isa. 49:3 ³ And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”

Gal. 3:13 ³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”

John 7:34 ³⁴ You will seek me and you will not find me. Where I am you cannot come.”

John 8:21 ²¹ So he said to them again, “I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come.”

Lev. 19:18 ¹⁸ You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

Deut. 6:5 ⁵ You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

Jesus confirmed c.f. Mark 12:28-33 ²⁸ And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, “Which commandment is the most important of all?” ²⁹ Jesus answered, “The most important is, ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.’ ³⁰ And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ ³¹ The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” ³² And the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher. You have truly said that he is one, and there is no other besides him. ³³ And to love him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one’s neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” ³⁴ And when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” And after that no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Matt. 5:43-48 ⁴³ “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ ⁴⁴ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. ⁴⁶ For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? ⁴⁸ You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

John 17:9 ⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours.

John 3:16 ¹⁶ “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 4:42 ⁴² They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

Mark 14:31 ³¹ But he said emphatically, “If I must die with you, I will not deny you.” And they all said the same.

Matt 26:56 ⁵⁶ But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.” Then all the disciples left him and fled.