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As Jesus Commands

Things to Ponder This Week

Introduction

(Luke 6:35-36; John 13:34-35; 14:15-17)

God's love encompasses _____ of life. It is impossible to love as God intends for us to love without the Holy Spirit's help. Thus, s_____ to the Holy Spirit in our lives is necessary. Such a surrender, begins with confession, then repentance, obedience, submission, and s_____.

The Law of Reciprocity

(Luke 6:31,37-38)

If you don't like to be judged, then don't judge. If you don't like to be condemned, then d_____ condemn. If you want to be pardoned, then pardon. If you want to receive abundantly, then g_____ generously.

Parables of Self-Examination

(Luke 6:39-45; Psalm 139:23-24)

What truly matters is what fills our h_____. If God's goodness by His Spirit fills us, then it will be made k_____ through our w_____ and deeds.

A Life of Obedience to Jesus as Lord

(Luke 6:46-49; John 16:33)

Obedience is key in following someone as your Lord, and is measured by a_____, not just knowledge. The mark of true obedience will have a lasting effect, because it will pass the test of t_____ and t_____.

Based on Luke 6:37-38, how does humility and patience help with seeing people with mercy and love? Do you have a tendency to be quick to judge or condemn people? If so, pray to God to reveal what may be at the heart of that tendency, and ask Him to show you how He sees you and those people you may tend to look down upon.

Based on Luke 6:39-45, what kind of fruit are you seeing in your life? Are you able to lead, teach, and help others who may need help? What treasure fills your heart, and how is this manifested in how and what you speak to people? How does God's love help us in how we speak to people just as in what we speak to people?

Based on Luke 6:46-49, why is complete obedience to Jesus important? Do you agree with the statement: "Obedience is measured by action, not just knowledge", and if so, how are you faring with living a life of obedience? Take time to thank Jesus for His example of obedience to the Father, and ask Him to make you a good and faithful servant of His.

Next Sunday is our Sharing Sunday. It is a great opportunity for us as a church family to share how God is at work in our lives. Please prayerfully come, ready to share and celebrate God's goodness together.