

THEME OF THE WEEK

# LOVE ONE ANOTHER

WORD OF THE WEEK

JOHN 13: 31-35



My Children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

A new command i give to you: Love one another. As i have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

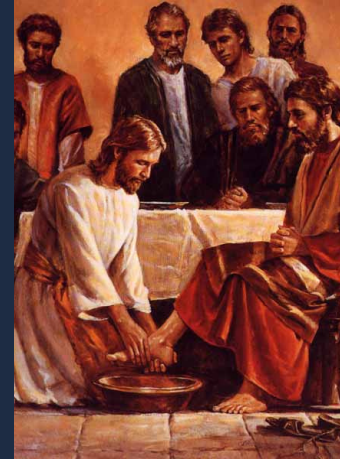
## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Father of Compassion and God of all grace, I thank you for teaching me to love through the example of Jesus. May my words and actions reflect His love towards Your people today, tomorrow, and until You bring us all home to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, our great example, we pray. Amen.

## SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT.

Jesus spoke these words after he had finished washing the disciples' feet. Firstly, He made it quite clear that loving one another was not a suggestion, but a new commandment to people from God. This love we are to have for one another is not optional, but a required mark of being a Christian and being part of a Christian community.

Secondly, this love is to be of the same quality as Christ's. He implied that we should judge the quality of our love by His, "just as I have loved you". Jesus didn't just love those that loved Him, those that He felt had done something to deserve His love. Jesus loved all: even those that had not made the right decisions in life, had made mistakes, or had been rejected by society.



## SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT

With the person next to you discuss these questions:

1. Do I see the way I love others as a commandment, a suggestion and something optional?
2. How do I "wash the feet" (practically serve/do something) of others I spend time with each day to show that I love them?
3. Could I do more to love in the way Jesus loves others? Could I reach out and show love to someone who has been rejected by others?



- Watch Love One Another ([CLICK HERE](#)).
- Listen to Unending Love by Hillsong Worship ([CLICK HERE](#))
- Listen to Love Each Other by Graham Kendrick ([CLICK HERE](#)).

"Love because that is what our hearts were made for."

St. Therese of Lisieux

