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Return to Church

The Motive that Moves Us

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Now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. **1 Corinthians 13:13 NIV**

Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. **1 John 3:18 NIV**

Our Love Is Expressed Through . . .

1. Reaching the unreached.

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." Luke 19:10 NIV

"(Jesus) said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance." Mark 2:17 NKJV

2. Leading people to Jesus <u>not our</u> <u>opinions</u>.

"When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." John 12:32 NLT

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Peter saw his opportunity and addressed the crowd. "People of Israel," he said, "what is so surprising about this? And why stare at us as though we had made this man walk by our own power or godliness? For it is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—the God of all our ancestors who has brought glory to his servant Jesus by doing this. **Acts 3:12-13a NLT**

3. Serving others before ourselves.

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." **Matthew 20:28 NIV**

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. **Philippians 2:3 ESV**

4. Sacrificing to know God not gain.

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. **Philippians 3:8a ESV**

They said with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb who was slaughtered to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing! **Revelation 5:12 CSB**

If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. **1 John 4:20 ESV**

Weekend Music: We Praise You (Bethel Music) • You Deserve It All (Josh Baldwin) I Thank God (Maverick City Music)