

The Art Of Connecting

Connecting In Mission

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We love because he first loved us. 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. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother. **1 John 4:19 – 21 ESV** 

# The Mission Of Christ...

## 1. Lookat Jesus

We love because God first loved us. 1 John 4:19 GNT

Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end. He did not give up because of the cross! On the contrary, because of the joy that was waiting for him, he thought nothing of the disgrace of dying on the cross, and he is now seated at the right side of God's throne. **Hebrews 12:2 GNT** 

### 2. Love Like Jesus

If we say we love God, but hate others, we are liars. For we cannot love God, whom we have not seen, if we do not love others, whom we have seen.

1 John 4:20 GNT

"And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples."

#### John 13:34-35 GNT

Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions.

1 John 3:18 NLT

## 3. Live Like Jesus

The command that Christ has given us is this: whoever loves God must love others also.

#### 1 John 4:21 GNT

Your life must be controlled by love, just as Christ loved us and gave his life for us as a sweet-smelling offering and sacrifice that pleases God.

#### **Ephesians 5:2 GNT**

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. **Micah 6:8 NIV**