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"When Glory and Love Meet"

John 13:31-38

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"Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him;
He has put Him to grief.
When You make His soul an offering for sin,
He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days,
And the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand."
Isaiah 53:10

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has <u>highly exalted Him</u> and <u>given Him the name</u> which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus

which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Philippians 2:5-11

"And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne."

Revelation 5:6-7

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"We are to love our neighbor as ourselves, but we are to love our fellow-Christians as Christ loved us, and that is far more than we love ourselves."

-Charles Spurgeon

## "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." John 15:12

"And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you."

Ephesians 4:32

"In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."

1 John 4:10-11

## How are believers called to love one another:

- Loving <u>Generosity</u>—<u>Giving</u> to brothers and sisters in the body of Christ <u>open-handedly</u>.
- Loving <u>Service</u>—<u>Meeting</u> the <u>needs</u> of brothers and sisters in <u>serving</u> them.
- Loving <u>Kindness</u>—Displaying a <u>kindred kindness</u>
  to your brothers and sisters in the Lord.

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3. The Un<u>settling Prophecy:</u>
Peter's heartbreaking <u>denial of Jesus</u> is predicted.
(v.36-38)

"Peter answered and said to Him,
"Even if all are made to stumble because of You,
I will never be made to stumble."

Matthew 26:33

"But he said to Him, "Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death."

Luke 22:33