

**“AGAPE - Love of Christ”**  
**Emotion**

**John 21:16a** *Jesus repeated the question: “Simon son of John, do you love (agape) me?”*

**3 Questions...**

**1. Where were you?**

**Luke 17:12-13** *As he entered a village there, ten lepers stood at a distance, <sup>13</sup>crying out, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!”*

**2. What do you see?**

**Luke 17:14-16** *He looked at them and said, “Go show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, their leprosy disappeared. <sup>15</sup>One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back to Jesus, shouting, “Praise God, I’m healed!” <sup>16</sup>He fell face down on the ground at Jesus’ feet, thanking him for what he had done. This man was a Samaritan.*

**3. Have you ever been one of the nine?**

**Luke 17:17-19** *Jesus asked, “Didn’t I heal ten men? Where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup>Does only this foreigner return to give glory to God?” <sup>19</sup>And Jesus said to the man, “Stand up and go. Your faith has made you well.”*

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**“Exclusion”**

**Mt. 16:13-15** *When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?”<sup>14</sup>“Well,” they replied, “some say John the Baptist, some say Elijah, and others say Jeremiah or one of the other prophets.”<sup>15</sup>Then he asked them, “Who do you say I am?”*

**1. The right of exclusion.**

**John 14:6** *Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.*

**2. Knowing and not knowing.**

**John 14:9-10** *Jesus replied, “Philip, don’t you even yet know who I am, even after all the time I have been with you? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking to see him?<sup>10</sup>Don’t you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say are not my own, but my Father who lives in me does his work through me.*

**3. Choosing Christ Alone.**

**John 14:11-12** *Just believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. Or at least believe because of what you have seen me do.<sup>12</sup>“The truth is, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father.*

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“Expression”**

**Mark 12:29-30** *Jesus replied, “The most important commandment is this: ‘Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord.’<sup>30</sup> And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.’*

**1. “Fully” means right done wrong is still wrong.**

**Luke 18:9-14** *Then Jesus told this story to some who had great self-confidence and scorned everyone else:<sup>10</sup> “Two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee, and the other was a dishonest tax collector.<sup>11</sup> The proud Pharisee stood by himself and prayed this prayer: ‘I thank you, God, that I am not a sinner like everyone else, especially like that tax collector over there! For I never cheat, I don’t sin, I don’t commit adultery,<sup>12</sup> I fast twice a week, and I give you a tenth of my income.’<sup>13</sup> “But the tax collector stood at a distance and dared not even lift his eyes to heaven as he prayed. Instead, he beat his chest in sorrow, saying, ‘O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner.’<sup>14</sup> I tell you, this sinner, not the Pharisee, returned home justified before God. For the proud will be humbled, but the humble will be honored.”*

**2. “Fully” means singularity in service.**

**Luke 10:40-42** *But Martha was worrying over the big dinner she was preparing. She came to Jesus and said, “Lord, doesn’t it seem unfair to you that my sister just sits here while I do all the work? Tell her to come and help me.”<sup>41</sup> But the Lord said to her, “My dear Martha, you are so upset over all these details!<sup>42</sup> There is really only one thing worth being concerned about. Mary has discovered it—and I won’t take it away from her.”*