

ABIDE series  
Week 4 Outline  
8.6.2023  
John 15:12-17

## **In Learning The Master's Business**

### **I. For the Love of God**

#### **A. "Old Love" (Deuteronomy 6:4-7, Leviticus 19:18, Mark 12:29-31)**

1. To love God with everything you got and to love your neighbor as yourself
2. A Life of Abiding is a Life of Love

#### **B. New Love (John 13:34-35)**

1. Loving one another is a "new" commandment (...as *I have loved you*)
2. A Life of Abiding is a Life of Loving Like Jesus

### **II. His Greater Love (John 15:12-17)**

**A. How has He loved?** Jesus Laid Down His Life for Us (v. 12-13)

**B. Who are we called?** Jesus Promoted Us to Friends (v. 14-15)

**C. Why are we loved?** Jesus Chose Us (v. 16a)

**D. How can we love?** Jesus Abiding in Us (v.16b-17)

***A Life of Abiding is a Life of Love and Friendship***

### **III. Practicing the Way of Jesus—Posture of Apprenticeship and Pace of Godspeed**

<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Scripture</b>	<b>Sabbath</b>	<b>Community</b>
Love by Praying	Love by Pointing	Love by Pausing	Love by Being
for Friends	up to Friends	alongside Friends	Present with Friends

**A. Be a Friend to Jesus: Know What God Tells Us (v. 14-15)**

1. Spend Time in His Word
2. Love by Praying for Friends and Pointing Up to Friends
  - a) Pray for One Another
  - b) Follow Up with One Another
  - c) Point to Jesus in His Word for One Another
  - d) Spend Time with One Another

**B. Stay with Jesus: So That You Can Go and Bear Fruit (v. 16-17)**

1. Remember the Fruit needs the Vine too!
2. Love by Pausing alongside Friends
  - a) Rest with One Another
  - b) Eat with One Another
  - c) Have Fun with One Another
  - d) Worship with One Another

**C. Love like Jesus: Lay Down Your Life (v. 12-13)**

1. Make Space to Allow the Gospel to be Preached to You Daily
2. Love by Being Present with Friends
  - a) Offer Help to One Another
  - b) Ask for Help from One Another
  - c) Be Specific with One Another
  - d) Give Grace to One Another