

## Homework & Questions

Sermon Series: Made Alive - To Love God  
Ephesians 4:1-5:2

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Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. Last week the main theme was "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself." (Mt. 22:36-39)

Why does God pair these commands together?

Can we not love God separate from loving our neighbor?

2. Can you describe a circumstance in which you and others matured in knowing Christ while serving together?
3. What are some ways that each of us can strengthen one another as part of Christ's body?
4. In what ways has God worked to equip His people to function as a maturing, unified yet diverse body of believers?

Eph. 2:10; Eph. 4:11-13; Rom 12:3-8; 1 Cor 12: 4-11; 27-28; 1 Pet 4:8-11

Have you identified an area(s) in which God has particularly equipped you?

Are you serving Jesus and His body, including the use of your identified gifts?

5. Beyond simply getting the work of the kingdom accomplished, what great gift does God give all who are functioning together as part of His body?
6. How is Jesus best displayed for who He is, to people who do not know Him?

**Application:** Jesus took a towel and basin of water to wash His disciples' feet. (John 13:14-17) Today, will you also initiate ordinary ways to serve others as Jesus did?

**Further reading:** Heb. 10:24-25; Mt. 20:26-28; Acts 2:42-47; Acts 4:23-37; 2 Tim. 1:6