



A Year of People Perspective!

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 - As ‘Stewards’ it is an ‘act of worship’ to be *found* faith-full, and nothing will fill us up on faith – like applying ourselves to love – like Jesus loved us! **1Cor 4.2**

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 - We want to be found faith-full, humble, untangled, when He comes... to see how much like Him we have become! **Luke 18.8**
1John 3.2,3

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 - We want to be found loving/serving the people He has put in our lives, *good and bad*, mercy-and-grace-full, so that we are accounted as His Children! **Lk 6.32-36**

So Far...



- We have seen the love that God had for the world...
 - “While we were *yet without strength*, Christ died for the ungodly... God commended His love toward us, *in this*, that while we were *yet sinners*, Christ died for us!” **Romans 5.6-8**
 - “When we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son!” **v10**

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- We have seen the love that God had for the world...
- Heard the call to love the world like Jesus loved us just because He first loved us...
 - “As I have loved you... as you were... before you could respond in love to Me... without concern of what you could give to Me... so also must you love one another! By this will they know you are Mine!” **J13**

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- We have seen the love that God had for the world...
- Heard the call to love the world like Jesus loved us just because He first loved us...
- Found out we would need help to be faithful and helpful...
 - Loving, accepting, forgiving because we have received it all? “Lord, increase our faith!” **Lk 17.5**

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- Found out we would need help to be faithful and helpful...
- Today, need to define the “world” that we need to love!



**Everyone knows the
“Starfish Story!”**

Elements...



- **Storms of life wash up all kinds of debris and beach many things to die!**
- **Old man, calculating success against the scope: “you can’t make a difference!”**
- **Child had to decide to believe, and operate by the old mans words!**
- **Child looking at the starfish, undaunted to save what was right in front of him!**

Applications...



- **The storms of life are happening all around us...**
- **The Church is the old man calculating success against the overall problem...**
- **There are many discouraging words that come at us to keep us from action...**
- **But “You and I” CAN make a difference...**
- **By being faithful, loving the ones right in our line of sight, that we can reach!**

Applications...



- **Nothing will stop the storms of life, and, they will increase within our time!**
 - Jesus said tribulation would come, increase!
 - Word is clear: lionized times are ahead!
- **Looking at the scope of the “world-wide” problem can totally defeat us!**
 - But we don’t have to provide salvation for the whole world! Jesus did that!

A decorative graphic in the top right corner featuring the year "2019" in a bold, brown, textured font. The numbers are surrounded by a cloud of small, dark, irregular shapes, possibly representing confetti or a starburst effect.

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**There will always be
reasons why we can't make
"THE BIG" difference... but we
can make "a real difference"
for the ones we can reach!**



**Everyone knows the
“Good Samaritan Story!”**

Luke 10.25-37



- One day, a certain legalist stood up to test Jesus. He asked, “What do I have to do to ‘live’ the life of God (zoe)?” Jesus replied, “What does the law say?” He answered, ‘Love the Lord with all that is in you and love your neighbor as yourself!’ “Right! *DO* that and you will live!” Wanting to justify his awakened conscience, He asked, ‘Who is my

Luke 10.25-37



- neighbor?’ Jesus replied, ‘There was a man traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho who was attacked by thieves who stripped him, beat him, and left him for dead. After a short time a priest came along and when he saw him, he crossed to the other side of the road. Then a Levite came by who saw him and crossed over as well. But another man,

Luke 10.25-37



- a Samaritan, when he saw him, was moved with compassion. He stopped and bandaged him up. Then he took him to a shelter and tended to him. He departed the next day but paid the host to take care of him until he was better. Which of those three was neighbor to the victim? He said, ‘The one who showed him mercy. Then Jesus said, ‘Go, and DO likewise.’”

Elements...



- We can justify ourselves a hundred different ways but if God doesn't...
- We can know the word and yet deceive ourselves, without action...
- There are 'thieves' at work to steal, kill and destroy people on their way...
- We can be religious, have no compassion and no merciful actions...
- True and undefiled religion is always accompanied by merciful, good works!

Applications...



- We know the justified live by faith but faith without good works is dead!
- Hearing the word without doing the word is *self-deceiving practice!*
- We destroy the works of the evil ones by doing good works!
- We love because He was the 'Samaritan' who came to and cared for us, first!

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***And, the ‘world’ we are called
to love are the people we “see”
as we ‘pass through’ on our
way, living the life of God!***

Good Samaritan's...

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- See! “Lift up your eyes, look on the fields for they are ripe for the harvest!” **John 4.35**
- Stop! Once saved, people are the journey of life we are called to live! **1Corinthians 9.20ff**
- Help! “How does it profit anyone if you have faith with words but no actions?” **James 2.14-26**
- Spend! “I will very gladly spend and be spent for you; though my love is not returned.” **2Corinthians 12.15**

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***We see, we stop, we help,
we spend, to live the life
of God!***

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**2019 is the year we love, see
and make a difference for
the people around us with a
focused reach!**