

Jesus' Love for His Own

John 13:1

Main Point:

Rest in Jesus' unfailing love for you and return it to Him.

1. Like the first disciples, you are Jesus' own.

2. As such, Jesus has always loved you from the beginning.

3. As such, Jesus will always love you to the very end.

4. This is because Jesus' love is unfailing for His own.

5. Rest in His unfailing love for you and return it to Him.

Alexander Maclaren "Nowhere else have we the heart of God so unveiled to us. On no other page, even of the Bible, have so many eyes, glistening with tears, looked and had the tears dried. The immortal words which Christ spoke in that upper chamber are his highest self-revelation in speech."

John 12:36 36 While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them. (NKJV)

Charles Ross "It is true, indeed, that in one sense all things are his own, as being their creator and preserver ... But his people are his own in a sense peculiar to themselves ... his own, as given him by the Father, as purchased with his precious blood, and as being called by his Spirit ..."

Richard Phillips "Knowing that we are Christ's own is even more glorious when we realize how great is the love of Christ for his own."

Charles Ross "Jesus was now to depart out of the world, but they were to be left in it; and therefore his heart turned in love towards them."

J.C. Ryle "Knowing perfectly well that they were about to forsake him shamefully in a very few hours, in full view of their approaching display of weakness and infirmity, our blessed Master did not cease to have loving thoughts of his disciples."

Isaiah 54:10 10 For the mountains shall depart And the hills be removed, But My kindness shall not depart from you, Nor shall My covenant of peace be removed," Says the LORD, who has mercy on you. (NKJV)

Charles Ross "When we think of our sins and shortcomings - of our blackness, sinfulness, and vileness - what a wonder that his love is not exhausted! But no, the love of Christ to his own knows no change."

Richard Phillips "More fundamental than our faith in Jesus and our will to live in obedience to him is the unchanging, unending, unfailing love of Christ for his own. No one is more devoted to your good, more sympathetic to your plight, or more interested in your heart than Jesus Christ, who loves his own to the end."

Charles Ross "Let some peculiar trial or cross come, and we soon give way. Surely it ought not to be so. It was not thus the blessed Master dealt with us; he remembered us in the hour of his trial. Oh, that his own love would constrain us to live upon him, and to live unto him!"

Sinclair Ferguson "We want to know, trust, and love Him better. These chapters help us do that by moving Him to the center of our vision and showing us His grace."