

It's All About God

Session #10 – The Person Who Gets The Most Love

“Jesus never saw any unimportant people. He saw beggars. He saw penniless and friendless people. He saw people who were outcasts of humanity. They seemed utterly unimportant in the human sense, but they were important to Jesus. How many did he die for? All of them.”
- E. H. Ijams, *Highland Street Church of Christ*, 1975.

Thinking It Over

Think of a time in life when someone showed you a simple act of kindness that changed your day. You may even be able to remember a significant act of kindness that changed your life. How do those times make us feel?

Read Matthew 25:31-46. What is implied by calling one group “sheep” and the other group “goats”?

Exploring the Text

This passage tells us some vital truths - #1. *The way we treat others is directly linked to the way we treat Jesus.* Did you notice that both the sheep and the goats had the ability to do the things mentioned in the passage? In all, Jesus states the points he is trying to make 24 times!

This passage does something else for us; #2. *It defines the nature of godly service.* Sometimes we give with full expectation that we will receive later on, but that is not the kind of giving indicated here. True serving gives without the expectation of receiving.

Bringing It Home

Read through some of the stories of the Central Church of Christ’s ministry. How do those stories show a commitment to the teaching of this passage – true service? Does this give you any ideas for service projects we could do?