



Part 4: The You Beside You

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Scriptures: Matthew 25:31-46; John 15:12;
Galatians 5:6, 14; Isaiah 58:1-10

The Temple model is _____-centered,
and always gravitates toward _____ and _____.

The Jesus model is centered on the _____ beside _____.

Love is the _____ behind the _____

- Most of the New Testament imperatives are simply _____ of how to demonstrate your love for God by loving others.

The Jesus model is less _____, but is far more _____.

Bottom Line Question:

What does _____ _____?

Talk It Over

1. What's one idea from the message that really stood out to you? Why did this idea grab your attention?
2. What are some of the costs of Christians being more concerned with following rules than in the way they treat others? How might that influence the way unchurched people view God?
3. During this series, Chuck has said that our devotion to God is demonstrated and authenticated by our love for others. Do you agree? Why or why not?
4. Read Isaiah 58:1-10. What do these verses say about the actual "newness" of the idea that God wants us to demonstrate our love for Him by loving others?
5. Was there a time this week when you (or someone around you) asked the question, "*What does love require?*" and then acted on it? If so, what did that look like? If not, looking back on your week, were there any missed opportunities for you to ask that question? How might that situation have been different?
6. Read Matthew 25:31-40. In what ways does this passage challenge your assumptions about God? What are its implications in your daily life?
7. Think about a difficult relationship in your life. Within the context of that relationship, what does love require of you? Be specific.