

Imitate Jesus: Love

Sunday 5th March Unity Hill (Benji)

“He is your example, and you must follow in his steps.” 1Peter 2:21b

Love is the most important commandment

(Mark 12:28-34, John 13:34, John 15:10-17, 1 John 4:7-21)

Love God with everything & Love your neighbor as yourself

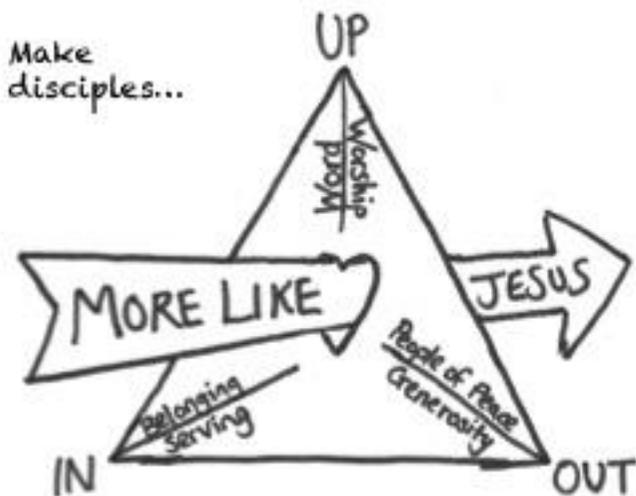
How did Jesus Love?

The Triangle: Loving Like Jesus

See Youtube clip: “Up in Out the Jesus pattern”

Looking at Jesus’ lifestyle we are primarily called to relationships, and our lives need to have a balance of focus between these relationships... (Luke 6:12-19, Micah 6:6,8)

- **UP with God**
where we develop in intimacy with him



- **IN with other believers**
where we look to be community
- **OUT with non-believers**
where we seek to make an impact for the Kingdom of God

Think about the triangle in terms of your own life first.

Where are you thriving?

Where do you have an opportunity to grow? Which point is “out of balance”? (Some questions below may help)

What area is God working on? What scripture is relevant?

Work out a plan with God. Discuss with others how to grow to be balanced. Now try the same with a ministry group your involved in.

Up:	In:	Out:
Do I make enough space for prayer? Do I pursue intimacy with Jesus? Am I living in a state of peace? Am I afraid or nervous? Am I obedient to God’s prompting? Am I living in the power of the Spirit?	Do I love the flock? How are my relationships with my friends? Am I experiencing intimacy in relationships? Do I keep my promises? How easy is it for me to trust people? Am I discipling others?	Do I have a heart for the lost? How often do I share my faith? Do I leave time for relationships with non-Christians? Where do I love my neighbor?