

Do You Love Jesus?

(Outline Kevin L. Jones)

1. Does your life show that you love Jesus?
2. Do your actions prove your love for Jesus?
3. Are the choices that you make based on your love for Jesus?
4. Would others testify of your love for Jesus?

**“A son honours his father, and a servant respects his master. If I am your father and master, where are the honour and respect I deserve? You have shown contempt for my name! But you ask, ‘How have we ever shown contempt for your name?’
You have shown contempt by offering defiled sacrifices on my altar. Then you ask, ‘How have we defiled the sacrifices?’...**

...You defile them by saying the altar of the Lord deserves no respect. When you give blind animals as sacrifices, isn't that wrong? And isn't it wrong to offer animals that are crippled and diseased? Try giving gifts like that to your governor, and see how pleased he is!" says The Lord of Hosts.

Malachi 1:6-8

- If you were as devoted to your job as you are to Jesus, would you still be employed?
- If you were as faithful to your wife/husband as you are to Jesus, would you still be married?
- If you paid your bills like you pay your tithes, would you have food, a vehicle or a home?
- If you were as obedient to the secular law as you are to God's commands, would you be free or behind bars?

Peter said to him, “Even if everyone else deserts you, I never will.” Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, Peter – this very night, before the rooster crows twice, you will deny three times that you even know me.”

Mark 14:29

I. The Evidence Of Your Love For Jesus

“If ye love me, keep my commandments.”

John 14:15

“...and we can be sure that we know Him if we obey His commandments. If someone claims, ‘I know God,’ but doesn’t obey God’s commandments, that person is a liar and is not living in the truth. But those who obey God’s word truly show how completely they love Him.”

1 John 2:3-5

II. The Examination Of Your Love For Jesus

...after Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees came to question Him again. One of the experts in religious law asked Jesus a question trying to trap Him. He said, "Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law?" Jesus said unto him, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Matthew 22:35-40

Do You Obey Commandment #1?

1. 'You shall have no other gods before Me.'
2. 'You shall not make for yourself a carved image – any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.'
3. 'You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.'
4. 'Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.'

**1) You Say, “I Love God,” But Do You
Talk To Him?**

**“In *every* thing give thanks: for this is the will of
God in Christ Jesus concerning you.”**

1 Thessalonians 5:18

**2) You Say, “I Love God,” But Do You Allow
Him To Speak To You?**

**“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto
my path...”**

Psalms 119:105

In the Bible you will find:

- **His work in creation**
- **His plan for mankind**
- **The sacrifice of His Son for my sins**
- **What He has in store for us when this life is over**
- **What He wants His children to accomplish**
- **What He wants His children to avoid**

**3) You Say, “I Love God,” But Do You Come
To His House?**

“...do not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”

Hebrews 10:25

“*Every*time you willingly choose not to attend a worship service you are casting a vote to close the doors.”

Adrian Rogers

**4) You Say, “I Love God,” But Do You Give
Him What Is His?**

“Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, ‘Wherein have we robbed thee?’ In tithes and offerings.”

Malachi 3:8

Tithe – {H} (ma'ásrâh, mah-as-raw') – a tenth

**Offering – {H} (terûmâh, ter-oo-maw') – a
present (as offered up), especially
in sacrifice**

**5) You Say, “I Love God,” But Do You Serve
Him?**

“Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ’s body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. In His grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.”

Romans 12:4-8

Can you:

- **Sing**
- **Preach**
- **Teach**
- **Play an instrument**
- **Be a leader**
- **Be an encourager**
- **Serve in any capacity**

If we are the body:

Why aren't His arms reaching?

Why aren't His hands healing?

Why aren't His Words teaching?

Why aren't His feet going?

If we are the body:

I am too busy with a sick relative

I don't know what opportunities are available

I don't know what gift God has given me

I don't have the skills

I am burnt out and I need to be fed for a bit

I don't get anything out of it

I offered to serve in the past but no one followed up with me

I served for awhile but I felt unappreciated