

Take It Home

Applying the Preached Word



Jace Hudson preached from Leviticus 19:1-18, 36-37, in the eleventh part of Holy.

Holy: Holiness Through Love

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Main Point

Holiness finds its greatest expression in our lives through love.

Key Ideas

1. The priority of love. Vs. 18

1. Holiness is about how we relate to others. Holiness is intensely relational.
2. The priority of love towards others is primary in God's people.
3. We see this in the example of Christ.
 1. Christ references Leviticus 19 more than any other text in the OT.
 2. Christ was the greatest fulfillment of the law, as he loved those around him so selflessly.

2. The Practice of love.

1. So much of the value of Leviticus 19 is that it is dogmatically practical.
2. The laws that are given in Leviticus 19 at least demonstrate that love is to be practical, but they are more than that. They are principles for love that are to be followed.
 - I. Love for others is generous (vss. 9-10)
 1. Those who had their own needs met, were to provide for others by not harvesting their crop completely.
 - II. Love for others is honest. (vss. 11-12)
 1. The people of God should be a trustworthy people.
 - III. Love for others does not take advantage of others. (vss. 13-14)
 1. The people of God are not to take advantage of those weaker than them, even when they can get away with it.
 - IV. Love for others is just. (vs. 15-16)
 1. The people of God safeguard other's reputation. Love for others keeps us from slander or gossip. It refuses to listen to stories of others when we are not a part of the story.
 - V. Love for others is heart felt. (vss. 17-18)
 1. The people of God are not to hold a grudge, or to nourish any hate towards anyone.

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Fellowship Starters

Treasure: Application to stir our love for Christ.

1. How does considering the priority of love in Christ's life make you want to make it a greater priority in your life?

Grow: Application to stir our obedience to Christ.

2. If we were to gather everyone that knows you together (family, coworkers, neighbors, store clerks), would they say that your life is marked by love?
3. How can love be a greater priority for you this week?
4. Which of the 5 ways that the people of God are called to love from Leviticus 19 was most convicting to you?

Proclaim: Application to stir our witness for Christ.

5. What expression of love can you pursue this week that would be a witness to Christ for the unbelievers around you?