

# LOVE IS \_\_\_\_\_

Love Is...: Acts 3, 1 John 3:16-18

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*“For Christ’s love compels us.” 2 Corinthians 5:14 NIV*

*John 13:34-35 NIV*

Compassion is usually associated with deep feelings. With Jesus, compassion was a precursor to action!

*Matthew 20:34 NIV, Mark 1:41 NIV, Mark 6:34 NIV, Luke 15:20 NIV*

The idea of compassion is that your heart goes out to people because you see them the way Jesus sees them.

## **I. Love is Seeing and Caring About the Needs Around You.**

*James 2:14-16 NIV*

## **II. Love is Being Responsive with Whatever You Have.**

“The results were life changing. The afterglow of the pleasurable activity, hanging out with friends, watching a movie, eating a hot fudge sundae, whatever it was, paled in comparison with the affects of one act of compassion.” Martin Seligman

## **III. Love is Pointing People to Jesus.**

**Two things that should be obvious:**

1. He’s deflecting glory to God.
2. Peter did not show love alone. John was not alone.

It’s easier for your life to change when you’re part of a small group!

Pray that a wave of love will rise in our church that will wash all over the world!

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## **Five for the Drive**

**A family conversation starter for the ride home**

1. If a stranger were to ask you for a handout, what would your first reaction most likely be?
2. Do you typically view people in need as interruptions or as opportunities to share God's love? Why?
3. What do you think would happen if the church loved, cared and gave more?
4. How can you prepare yourself to become more attentive to the needs of people around you?
5. Besides giving financial aid, how can you specifically practice God's compassionate love this week? With your family? A friend? At church? In politics?

## **Ministry Opportunities**

For more information about these and other events, go to [SavannahChristian.com/Events](http://SavannahChristian.com/Events).

### **Point University Dual Credit Enrollment Open House**

**10 a.m. – noon, Saturday, Nov. 1 and 1 – 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2**

#### **Adult Ministry Center across the street**

Point University at our Henderson Campus offers a program that enables high school students to earn credits towards a college degree while still in high school. This is a great way of getting a head start on your college career while enjoying the support of your family and familiar surroundings. Come find out how you could receive free college credit through this program.

### **Journey Serve Day**

**8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8**

#### **The Journey set behind The Link across the lake**

Join us for one of our last serve days as we prepare The Journey set to welcome thousands of visitors from across the Southeast this December. We'll be painting in Bethlehem, building backdrops for the gazebos, working on doorways and constructing a sound buffer. Please bring your rakes, power tools and gloves if you own any. Lunch will be provided. For more information, contact Brooklyn at [bfranklin@savannahchristian.com](mailto:bfranklin@savannahchristian.com).

### **Adoration: Prayer and Worship**

**6:15 – 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8**

#### **Worship Center**

Come to this special Adoration service as we join with the local and global partners we support through Faith Promise offerings to celebrate what God has done through their ministries this year. We'll spend time in both worship and prayer, praising God for a season of fruitful ministry and praying for and encouraging our partners as they shine His light around the world. Children are welcome to attend. Separate childcare is not available.

### **Massing of the Colors**

**4 – 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16**

#### **Worship Center, East Campus**

Join Savannah Christian Church and the Military Order of The World Wars for a time of pageantry and patriotism. This colorful ceremony reaffirms our faith in and support for the colors of the United States. Light refreshments will be served after the ceremony.