Impossible Commands

April 17, 2021

Read chapter 8 – Love One Another

1. Memorize John 13:34-35.

1. The command to love others seems quite easy. What makes it impossible?
2. According to John 13:34, what is the context of this command?

How has Jesus loved us?

How then are we to love others? What does that look like practically?

1. Is our love for others to be active or reactive? Explain.
2. Read John 13:1-17 and discuss Jesus’ actions in relation to our topic.

How does being a servant demonstrate the kind of love Jesus is talking about? Consider also Philippians 2:3-4 in your answer for discussion.

1. If we are unlovely because of sin, why does Jesus love us?
2. What kind of risks do we take by loving others as Jesus commands?

What if they don’t reciprocate this love?

1. When do we know we have loved others as Jesus commanded?

What characteristics are evident from this kind of love for others?

1. How do the four steps help us to love one another?

“I can’t” –

“I’m sorry” –

“Please help” –

“Let’s go” –

1. What steps do you need to take to demonstrate this kind of love to others?

Next month: Impossible Commands – Chapter 9: Give cheerfully