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## Sacrificial Love

John 15:13 Greater Love has no one than this; to lay down one's life for one's friends.

To truly love means we are willing to sacrifice everything for someone else. That must first begin with our relationship with God Himself. We need to ask ourselves the question; Do I love God enough to lay down my life for Him. That's what it is going to take to understand and experience His kind of love.

This verse is part of a section of scripture where Jesus was sharing an intimate time with His disciples. He was telling them in Chapter 14, that He was going to prepare a place for them and that He would return to take them to be with Him. As much as they wanted that, they were more afraid of the fact that He was going to have to leave them by dying. I'm sure they were thinking, "Isn't there a better way?" It's just like us to think things like this when we know that God always knows the better way. He then told Thomas, "I Am the way and the truth and the life, and no one will come to the Father except by Me."

Through His death, Jesus brought us life. Through His sacrifice, He brought us victory. Who would do something like that? One who has the "greater love."

Dear Father, thank You for loving me so much that You would lay down Your life for me. Help me now to be willing to lay my selfish life down so that I may love like You do. In Jesus Name, Amen