MESSAGE NOTES

APRIL 25, 2021 COME AND SEE | WHEN JESUS' FOLLOWERS DISAPPOINT JOHN 13:18-38

BIG IDEA

When Jesus' followers disappoint, don't be surprised. God will use it for His glory and our good as we obey His command. Love them just as Jesus has loved us.

INTRODUCTION

When Jesus' followers disappoint:

- 1. Don't be <u>surprised</u> but expect it will <u>hurt</u>. (John 13:18-30)
- 2. God will use it for His glory and our good. (John 13:31-38)
 - On the Cross:
 - o He bore our sin
 - o He took our punishment
 - o His wounds heal us
 - o He became cursed to free us from the curse
 - o He conquered evil/Devil
 - o He became sin-that we might be made righteous
 - o He opened heaven's door
 - o He was abandoned by His Father so that we might call Him Father
 - o He died so that we might live
- 3. Obey His command-love them just as <u>Jesus</u> has loved us.

BRINGING IT HOME

- 1. On Loving One Another Well
 - a. Who is hard for you to love right now-not out there but in the Church?
 - b. Are you growing in this area? Are you increasingly loving people you that weren't before you came to faith in Jesus–loving more people than you were five years ago?
- 2. On Loving Betrayers
 - a. Is there anyone who wronged you that you stopped loving? What would it look like for you to love them as Jesus has loved you?
 - b. Is there anyone you've wronged that you need to own up to and make it right to God and the person you've wronged?
- 3. On Defecting or Denying
 - a. Is there anyone succumbing to the lies of the enemy and tempted to turn against Jesus? Take His offer of mercy and love, forgiveness and reconciliation—escape the night and run to the light. Jesus is the light of life.