

CTK Community Group Sermon Discussion Questions & Announcements
Week of 2/14/21

Sermon Discussion Questions | [Luke 6:27-36](#)

1. What is the role of love in the Christian life? Summarize the teaching of the following passages of Scripture:
 - a. Matthew 5:43-48
 - b. John 13:31-35
 - c. 1 John 2:7-17, 3:11-24
 - d. Colossians 3:12-17 (esp. v. 14)
 - e. Galatians 5:18-26 (esp. v. 22)
 - f. 1 Corinthians 13

2. Why do you think that Luke 3:27-36 is placed right after Luke 6:22-3, 26? How are they be related?

3. How might the Lord be calling you to respond to Luke 6:27-36? What does obedience to this command look like in your life?

4. In [a sermon on this passage Martin Luther King Jr](#) said the following:

It's significant that [Jesus] does not say, "Like your enemy." Like is a sentimental something, an affectionate something. There are a lot of people that I find it difficult to like. I don't like what they do to me. I don't like what they say about me and other people. I don't like their attitudes. I don't like some of the things they're doing. I don't like them. But Jesus says love them. And love is greater than like. Love is understanding, redemptive goodwill for all men, so that you love everybody, because God loves them. You refuse to do anything that will defeat an individual, because you have agape in your soul. And here you come to the point that you love the individual who does the evil deed, while hating the deed that the person does. This is what Jesus means when he says, "Love your enemy." This is the way to do it. When the opportunity presents itself when you can defeat your enemy, you must not do it.

Do you agree or disagree with what King is saying? Why?

Announcements:

The Session of CTK has approved a proposal from the deacons for **renovations and repairs of our church building**. This work will include exterior work, such as repointing the brick, and interior work, including repairs and painting in the sanctuary. The work in the sanctuary will affect our in-person worship services as the pews will need to be temporarily removed. **Services will be online-only until late March.**

Congregational Meeting Announcement: The Session of CTK has called a congregational meeting for Sunday February 21 at 7pm - 8pm. The purpose of the meeting is (1.) to release Pastor Nathan Barczy as a pastor of Christ the King Presbyterian Church* and (2.) to present a communication plan for the Five Year Plan.

The Pastoral Search Committee is well on its way, but for all its considerations and deliberations, we need prayer more than anything. Paula Sachsenmeier and Laura Bullock have started Prayer Visits with our Community Groups to encourage all of us to join in regular prayer for the pastor and path God has in mind for our church family. **If you're not part of a Community Group, or if you missed the prayer visit for your CG, there will also be an additional prayer meeting on Zoom on February 23rd at 7pm.** Let's turn Psalm 127:1 into a prayer of dependence on God and anticipation of His faithfulness, by crying out: 'MAY the LORD build OUR house...!'