

PERSONAL SIGNIFICANCE IN TRANSFORMATION



JOHN 21 / JOHN 10

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We come to You confessing our sin that apart from Your grace and forgiveness would serve as a barrier in our ability to understand and experience Your love and desire for each of us.

We thank You for the price You paid through the blood sacrifice of Your Son, Jesus, for our sin and the privilege of receiving Your forgiveness.

We thank You for the honor of being called Your children in our personal relationship with You.

Now I ask that You prepare My heart not only to hear Your truth but that You will create in me the **desire** to respond to Your truth. I am entrusting myself to the power of Holy Spirit to make Your truth real and a vital part of my life.

I thank You now for what You will accomplish in my life and my church family.

Amen

THE TRANSITIONAL POWER OF SIX SIMPLE WORDS

John 21:15-17

- * The First direct challenge to the ***disciples***---
with the view of the church
- * The Fulfillment to the ***promise*** of the church
- * The Foundation of the ***church***
- * The Fundamental ***character*** of every believer
in the church

Do you love (sacrificial) Me?
(sacrificial)
(affectionate)

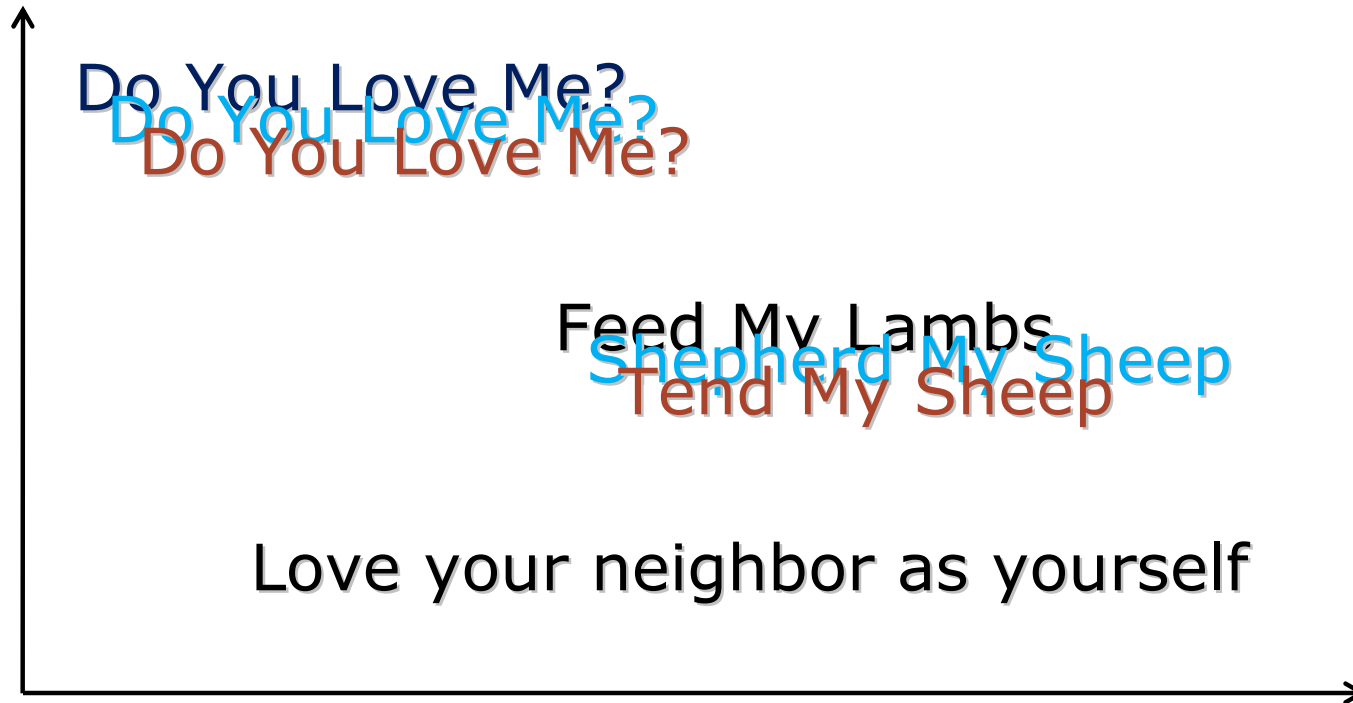
TEND MY LAMBS

SHEPHERD MY SHEEP

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Four Principles

√ Personalizes...the Great Commission
Love the Lord with all...



Comes down to the personal choice of my obedience.

- √ Authenticity...the litmus of our love for Jesus
- √ Obedience...the most basic expression of humility and submission
- √ Stewardship...the entrusting to each believer the care, shepherding, nurturing for those whom bled and died
- √ Transitional...the transformation from a follower to leader
observer to participation
watching to making
talking to walking

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO FEED THE SHEEP?

Immediate: Make NO Assumptions

1. John 4:7-14; 7:37-38
Water / Salvation
2. John 6:35; 45-51
(1 Pet 2:1-2; 2 Tim 3:16-17)
Bread / Word

Intuitive: Make Every Attempt

Most central word . . .

. . . to Know (an experiential, relational knowledge)

10:7-9, 10b The spiritual relationships of others

. . . only Jesus

10:10a-13 The consequences of no relationship

. . . death, destruction, disillusionment

10:11; 17 The commitment of a shepherd

. . . becomes more intimate, convicting

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