

# Why He Came: Love

“And walk in love, as Christ loved us, and gave Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.” *Ephesians 5:2, English Standard Version*

Job 3:1 – We are all \_\_\_\_\_ without our \_\_\_\_\_ - except Jesus!

## Three Startling Snapshots From Jesus’ Life

### A. *The snapshot of Jesus’ birth:*

1. John 1:14 – He who is \_\_\_\_\_ took on a body of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. 2 Corinthians 8:9 – Though He was \_\_\_\_\_, yet He became \_\_\_\_\_ for us. This shows the Lord’s \_\_\_\_\_.

### B. *The snapshot of Jesus washing feet:*

1. Why is a “\_\_\_\_\_” doing the work of a \_\_\_\_\_?!
2. John 13:1 – The motivation for Jesus was that He \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_, He loved them to the \_\_\_\_\_.

### C. *The snapshot of Jesus on the cross:*

1. Luke 22:15 – He earnestly \_\_\_\_\_ to have this meal with them “before I \_\_\_\_\_”. Why?
2. Hebrews 12:2 – Jesus looked beyond the \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ set before Him.

D. In each of these Jesus made His own needs \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ needs. *Why would He do that?*

## Love As The Backdrop For Why Jesus Came

A. John 3:16 – God \_\_\_\_\_ us enough to give His only \_\_\_\_\_ so that we might have \_\_\_\_\_.

B. The importance of demonstrating heavenly love:

1. John 13:34,35 – What was \_\_\_\_\_ about this command? To do it “just as \_\_\_\_\_ have loved you”.
2. Matthew 5:43,44 – It’s God’s will that we \_\_\_\_\_ for those who persecute us.
3. Luke 23:34 – Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ for those \_\_\_\_\_ Him!
4. Ephesians 5:1,2 – We \_\_\_\_\_ God when we walk in \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_ did.
5. 2 Corinthians 5:14,15 – The love of Christ \_\_\_\_\_ us.

C. Ephesians 3:19 - \_\_\_\_\_ the love of Christ enables us to be \_\_\_\_\_ with all the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Why did my \_\_\_\_\_ come to \_\_\_\_\_? He \_\_\_\_\_ me so!

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