



Motivated By Love

John 15:9-17 NIV

1. CHRIST LAID DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

John 15:13–14 *Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command.*

2. CHRIST CALLS YOU HIS FRIEND.

John 15:15 *I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.*

3. CHRIST CHOSE YOU FIRST TO BE HIS FRIEND.

John 15:16a *You did not choose me, but I chose you...*

4. CHRIST APPOINTED YOU TO HAVE AN IMPACT.

John 15:16b *...and appointed you so that you might go and bear – fruit that will last -- and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.*

5. RESULT: A NEW MOTIVATION TO OBEY.

John 15:17 *This is my command: Love each other.*

John 14:21 NLT *Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me.*

John 14:15 ESV *If you love me, you will keep my commandments.*

“Those hearts must be harder than iron or stone which are not softened by such incomparable sweetness of divine love.”

--John Calvin

SERMON NOTES