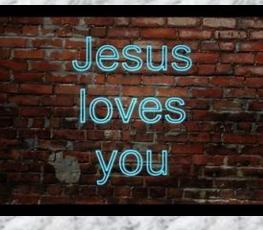
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Jesus Looked at Him and Loved Him

Let's take a look at Mark 10 beginning in verse 17, As Jesus was starting out on his way to Jerusalem, a man came running up to him, knelt down, and asked, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 18 "Why do you call me good?" Jesus asked. "Only God is Jesus truly good. 19 But to answer your question, you know the commandments: 'You must not murder. You must not commit adultery. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. You must not cheat anyone. Honor loves your father and mother." 20 "Teacher," the man replied, "I've obeyed all these commandments since I was young." 21 Looking at the man, Jesus felt genuine love for him.



"There is still one thing you haven't done," he told him. "Go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." 22 At this the man's face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions. 23 Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God!" 24 This amazed them. But Jesus said again, "Dear children, it is very hard to enter the Kingdom of God. 25 In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!" 26 The disciples were astounded.

"Then who in the world can be saved?" they asked. 27 Jesus looked at them intently and said, "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But not with God. Everything is possible with God." 28 Then Peter began to speak up. "We've given up everything to follow you," he said. 29 "Yes," Jesus replied, "and I assure you that everyone who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or property, for my sake and for the Good News, 30 will receive now in return a hundred times as many houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and property—along with persecution. And in the world to come that person will have eternal life.

31 But many who are the greatest now will be least important then, and those who seem least important now will be the greatest then." (NLT) We are told that "Jesus felt genuine love for him." This "love" (agape) refers to a pure and noble love. This "love" is not driven by emotion, superficial appearance, or sentimentalism. Agape love speaks of a love that sees value in the person and places value on them because of their soul. This young man was not perfect and misunderstood many things about God's kingdom, but Jesus still loved him and placed value on the man. From this encounter with Jesus, we see characteristics of genuine love that we should have in our own lives.



September 2023

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Call to Worship	Paul Symanowitz	Ð.
Songs	Nick Godano	
Communion	Jim Hopper	the fair
Sermon	Joe Lewis	F.J.
Closing	Troy Richards	Ser. 1



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Ellen Bourne Communication

Danbury church of Christ

Office Hours

Joe Lewis

Prayer Request

- Libby Kapelari who is 93 years old and a long time member of Danbury church Of Christ , has congestive heart failure which has gotten worst and has developed a serious UTI. She has been treated for both and is now at a nursing home getting rehab. Her speech has become clearer and is responding well to physical therapy. She will be home in the next 90 days
- Libby Kapelari's daughter Anne Peterson is having trouble getting around due to the pain in her back, hips, and ribs
- Marion Morris' mother Doreen Gagne is having a difficult time acclimating since her husband Gaston Gagne passed on Wed., Jun 21st
- Eduardo Pena pray for direction and guidance.
 Eduardo's brother Ricardo has Pneumonia and complications from covid. Eduardo's roommate Raul travels for work pray for stability
- Bridget Lewis' sister Theresa her boyfriend Brian was hospitalized on Sun. Sept 10th
- Continue prayers for Randy Walker's sister Becky who has pancreatic cancer which is now in a metastatic condition
- Continue prayers for Doug Vile who has been diagnosed with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and his wife Jere who is always by his side and a constant support
- Pray for safe travels for our congregation members
- Pray for our visitors
- The work in Mozambique and Zambia
- Pray for our missionaries and families
- Pray for our deacons, teachers, leaders, and each other

Praise and Thanksgiving

Zoom meeting attendee Shanthi Raju & his wife Sandhya Rani are expecting their fifth child

Services & Meetings: Week of September 17, 2023

Sunday AM Worship9:30 amSunday AM Bible Classes for ALL AGES11:00 am

<u>Wednesday - Pray & Bible Study</u> **Zoom Meeting** Virtual 7:00 pm—8:00 pm If you are interesting in attending email: info1danburycoc.org@gmail.com

Event Calendar

Sept 21stBowling Fellowship12:15 pm—2:00 pmStrikers—840 Federal Rd—Brookfield, CT
Contact : Michael P.Sept 23rdFirst Day of AutumnSept 24thHope for Haiti's Children 9:30 am
Joy Boxes—DueDCOC Bldg.
Contact: Natalie & Dan G.

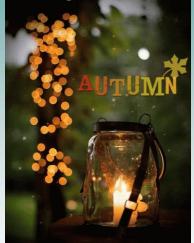
Bible Classes

11:00 am — Sunday Classes for ALL AGES

<u>Adult Upstairs Class</u> "Our Trustworthy Bible" - Gene Pollastro

Ongoing Meeting (church building)

- Mad Hatters Barber Shop Tues. 7:00 pm Rehearsals
- Narcotics Anonymous Thurs. 6:30 pm—9:30 pm
- \Rightarrow Al-Anon Thurs. 7:00 pm—9:00 pm



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First Day of Autumn Saturday, September 23rd

Wednesday—Pray and Bible Study **<u>Virtual</u>**

Zoom Meeting

7:00 pm-8:00 pm

If you are interested in attending the virtual bible study, please email us at info1danburycoc.org@gmail.com

It's a chance for us to connect, come together digitally to share, laugh and see each other as we unlock the bible together.

Come join us!







Hope for Haiti's Children—Joy Boxes are DUE Sunday, September 24th 9:30 am DcOC Bldg.

Contact: Natalie & Dan G.

