



THE CAMPUS CHURCH
LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND PEOPLE

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What does it mean to be his dearly loved child?

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2. To imitate God we have to _____.

- We need to dedicate ourselves to knowing God _____.

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- God's love is a caring love.
- God's love is a committed love.
- God's love is obvious.
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My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. (John 15:12-13 NIV)

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