



Day 2: COURAGE TO LOVE

Scripture Reading:

John 3:16 (ESV)

Luke 6:27-36 (ESV)

Observation:

It was Father's Day, and I had to work at the Fire Department. The Father's Day festivities with my three daughters would have to wait until I got home. That day, we received an EMS call about a family who ran into trouble as they were out boating. We responded and waited as the Coast Guard brought them back to shore. When the family arrived, we learned that one of the boys fell out of the boat and into the Niagara River. The father immediately jumped in after his son, held him up until their boat drifted to them, and then hoisted the boy back into the boat. The current in the Niagara River is fast and furious moving at 12 knots per hour. The father was exhausted from trying to swim up current and hold his son. After the boy was safe in the boat, the father succumbed to the river's current and drowned. The father gave his life for his son.

In today's scripture reading, we find the greatest verse in the Bible about the courage to love. God, our Father, gave the life of His Son so that we may have eternal life. What a display of God's love. Jesus, God's Son, did the will of His Father for you and me.

Application:

- Is God calling you to have the courage to love? Is it to love those in your family, your church, even the guys at work?
- Read **Luke 6:27-36(ESV)**. What does Jesus say about going deeper in loving those who are not easy to love?
- What steps can you take to be courageous in loving even our enemies?



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