

What is your greatest need?

What is the world's greatest need today? What is your greatest need today?

My greatest need is to be accepted. We all like to be accepted by others. We all like to be cared for by others. We all want to be loved. But the sad reality is that many of us today experience the pain of being isolated, alienated from society.

I was reminded not to long ago that Jesus fed 5000 people - regardless of their status, regardless of who they were! Jesus healed the sick - regardless of status! He did not preach first, or expected anything in return! He accepted the social outcasts - the baddies, the prostitutes, the good and the bad...

Maybe you have always felt that religion is not for you, maybe your idea of religion is rules and boring Sunday services, maybe you need to take a second look at who Jesus really is and what He really taught! He did not teach rules and regulation, yet did not disregard the value and place there off, He did not teach fund raisers and raffles! Jesus is not about boring sermons and hymns, choirs or bands!

Jesus addressed our greatest need: To be loved! Love God above all else and love your neighbour as yourself!

When you follow this advice you honour free will, honour the religious reality of your neighbour! Jesus proclaimed himself as the Truth, but never forced anyone to follow him! It is not about rules first - think about marriage. You do not keep the rules of marriage to get married, but because you love your spouse and want to keep an intimate relationship!

When you follow his advice you appreciate the value of true, caring relationships!

Think about it - He let it rain over all of us! He feed all of us!

My greatest need is to be accepted as I am for who I am! My greatest joy is me being accepted by the Father through Jesus his son. I now want to be a better person! That person seek to serve and love unconditionally!

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