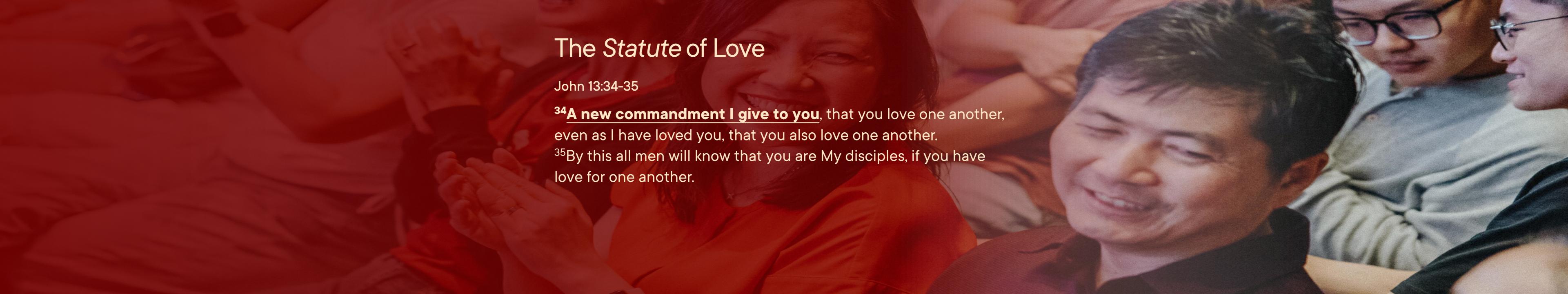
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# We are commanded to love one another.

- What happens when we don't? We are being disobedient.
- Jesus said "If you love Me, do My commandment."

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# Our love for God MUST be expressed in our obedience to God

- "If you love me, you will keep My commandments ..." (John 14:15a)
- "Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbour has fulfilled the law." (Rom 13:8)

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# What is love?



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# 4 Types of Love

- Philia Brotherly love
- Storge Familiar love
- *Eros* Physical, sexual love
- Agape Selfless, unconditional love

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### To love one another is not ...

- Permissive turning a blind eye
- Indulgent- giving in to whatever the other person wants
- Selfish / Transactional "I love because ..."

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# Agape love seeks to benefit others.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, <sup>5</sup>does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, <sup>6</sup>does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; <sup>7</sup>bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. <sup>8</sup>Love never fails.

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Leviticus 19:18 The 'old' commandment

You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the sons of your people, but **you shall love your neighbour as yourself**; I am the Lord.



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"Even as I have loved you."

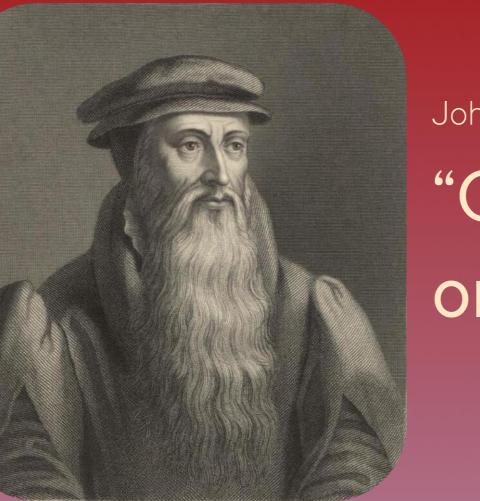
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# "Even as I have loved you."

1 John 4:10

<sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

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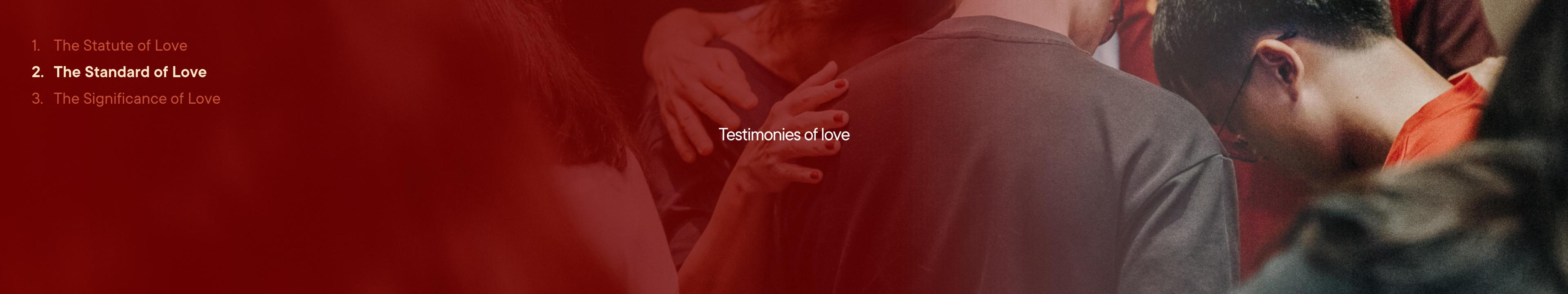
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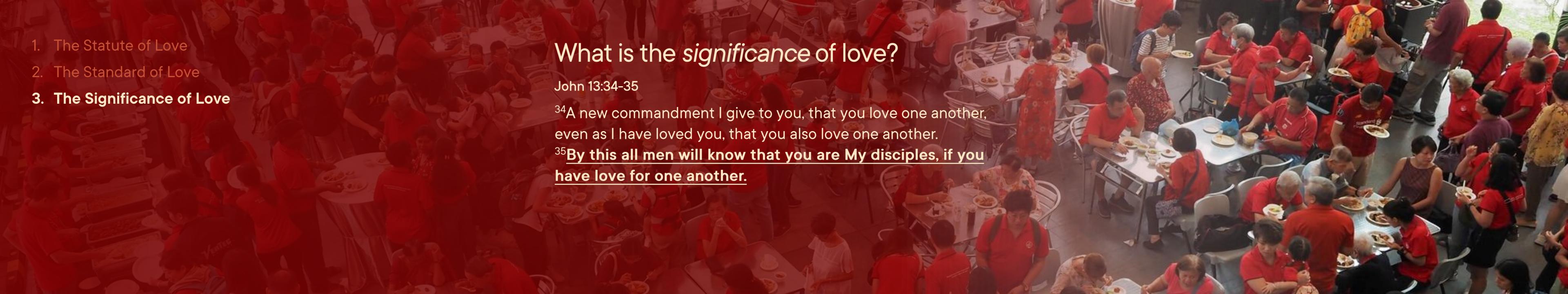
"Give me Scotland or I die."

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# How can we start loving people like Jesus?

- Pray for them
- Share the Gospel with them
- Point them back to Jesus







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