



May 6, 2018 Sixth Sunday of Easter Lectionary: 56 Gospel JN 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."

Spiritual Reflection:

God desires a healthy Father child relationship and not a master slave relationship. There is something comfortable about a master slave relationship though because a slave is only expected to do enough not get punished. A child is supposed to go above and beyond.

Spiritual Questions:

1. What is your image of God?
2. What is your image of God's image of you?
3. Describe someone in a Father-child relationship with God
4. Describe someone if a master-slave relationship with God.
5. What type of relationship do you wish to have?