



# Hot Potato #1:

*“Are There Moral Absolutes?”*

## INTRODUCTION - 3 WAYS OF APPROACHING TRUTH

John 7:7

Proverbs 15:22

## THE MASTER KEY TO ALL DECISIONS

Mark 12:29-31

Ephesians 5:29

Luke 6:31

Matthew 7:12

*Love is...*

Ephesians 5:1-2

1 Corinthians 16:14

Love \_\_\_\_\_, use \_\_\_\_\_.

James 3:9-10

John 14:6

WHEN ANTAGONISM EXPLODES...

Matthew 5:43-44

John 3:17

Ephesians 4:15

A LOOK AT LOVE IN ACTION...

Luke 19:1-10 – Zaccheus

John 4:4-42 – Samaritan woman

John 8:2-11 – Adulterous woman

*Principles to love by....*

1. Look for \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Take the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Bathe them in \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Treat them with \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Peter 3:15)
5. In this context, speak the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.

CONCLUSION – U CAN'T GIVE WHAT U DON'T HAVE

1 John 4:19

John 7:37-39

## **Home Church Questions...**

1. After reviewing your sermon notes, share the one thing that stood out as most important to you.
2. Read the story of how Jesus related to the Samaritan woman in **John 4:4-42**.
  - a) How does Jesus exemplify each of the 5 principles mentioned above in this story?
  - b) In **verse 19**, it would appear that the woman throws up a religious controversy as a smoke screen. Why do you think? How do you think people do this today? (Give examples.)
  - c) What does the fact she left her water jar behind as well as the affect she had on others say about the impact Jesus made on her?
  - d) What do you think it means to worship God “**in spirit and in truth**”?
3. Looking over the topics of the upcoming Hot Potato weeks, which topics do you find carry the most emotional baggage for you? Why?
4. Spend time praying for the weeks to come at Upper Oaks.