

November 13 Answers

- 1) Jesus asked Peter, “Simon, do you love me more than **these?**” He asked the question **three** times, and His words to Peter teach us three things: (1) We will always find **forgiveness** when we truly repent, for Peter’s three denials were answered by his three affirmations of love; (2) We can have no greater love in our heart than our love for **God**, for Peter was called to love Christ more than anything else; (3) If we really love Jesus, we will **care** for His sheep and labor faithfully in His service, for Peter’s love had to show itself in obedience to Christ’s command. How fitting that after this morning encounter on the shores of Galilee, Jesus appeared to His disciples on a nearby mountain and commissioned them to proclaim the gospel to the world. They were to make **disciples** of all nations, **baptizing** them and **teaching** them to **observe** all that He had commanded. This is to be our mission and our passion. As Christians, we are first and foremost disciples of Jesus, and we’re called to show others how to be His followers. We do this because all **authority** has been given to Him. This means that He is our Lord and Master—He **alone** is worthy of all our worship, devotion, and service.