

# Connected

**Speaker:** Steve Allan

**Date:** Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March

**Talk title:** Jesus and John (Knowing Love)

**Bible verses:** John 13:21-26, 19:25-27, 21:20-25

## What are the main points?

- Jesus and John
- Jesus and us
- How to know God's love

## Questions to prompt conversation...

What did you find most helpful or most challenging from this talk/bible passage?

What changes do we see in John?

Can we identify with Simon Ponsonby in early Christian life, that he did not know fully the same love that John knew?

How might we experience God's love?

When have you experienced God's love?

Here are two suggested meditations -

Meditate on John 8:1-11. Read the story slowly a couple times. Then imagine you are the centre of this story, with your sins that come to mind from the last week. Each person surrounding you is carrying a rock that represents a sin or shameful experience or thought of yours. Jesus is there though. He writes in the ground and asks if anyone without sin and flaws. The people put the rocks on the ground and leave. Jesus picks up the rocks and puts them in his rucksack. Jesus looks at you with love in his eyes and asks where are the people or thoughts who condemn you? He says he does not condemn you and invites you to follow him, he says there are things he would like to do together. As you walk along what does he say to you?

(recommend listening to Sarah's talk if you have not done this -

<https://www.ebe.org.uk/talksblog/jesusandawomancaughtinadultery>)

Alternatively watch this 5 min video -

[When Love Sees You - Mac Powell \(The Story\) - Music Video \(youtube.com\)](#)