

That "Love Thy Neighbor" thing...
I meant that.

-God

LAMAR

Definition: Culture – ‘The ideas, customs, and social behaviour of a particular people or society.’

AUSTRALIA

- We tend to be laid back,
- We speak our minds.
- Interaction with other people is generally based on respect.
- We have nicknames for everything.

Often among Men in particular, we talk about sport, weather, business, politics, anything except for the way we feel.

REAL
MIEN
CRY



We know from Jesus' teachings that these were the greatest commandments:

1. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.
2. *Love your neighbour as you love yourself. There is no greater commandment than these.*

LOVE
YOUR
NEIGH
BOR*

Matthew 22:37-39

It's all about



We live in the city of ME



that's me!bourne



- you don't have time
- you might not feel like going deeper than that
- you don't want to deal with the emotions and the vulnerability that comes along with it



"Ben, if you want to be able to love the way I have called you to, you need to learn to hurt the way I do."

John 11:1-3

Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair. So the sisters sent word to Jesus, “Lord, the one you love is sick.”

John 11:21-44

“Lord,” Martha said to Jesus, “if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha answered, “I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?” “Yes, Lord,” she replied, “I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.”

After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. "The Teacher is here," she said, "and is asking for you." When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there. When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. “Where have you laid him?” he asked. “Come and see, Lord,” they replied. Jesus wept. Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. “Take away the stone,” he said. “But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.”

Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”

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