

The Love Of God: Being God's Love!

In order to have and be God's Love, we must abide in Jesus.

John 15:4-5 (KJV)

4. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

Abide: Greek - to stay (in a given place, state, relation or expectancy): - abide, continue, dwell, endure, be present, remain, stand, tarry (for)

5. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

John 15:4-5 (AMP)

4. Dwell in Me, and I will dwell in you. [Live in Me, and I will live in you.] Just as no branch can bear fruit of itself without abiding in (being vitally united to) the vine, neither can you bear fruit unless you abide in Me.

Vital: from Webster Dictionary:

- **extremely important**
- **needed by your body in order to keep living**
- **existing as a manifestation of life**

5. I am the Vine; you are the branches. Whoever lives in Me and I in him bears much (abundant) fruit. However, apart from Me [cut off from vital union with Me] you can do nothing.

Jesus is the Vine!

Vine: Greek - a *vine* (as *coiling about* a support): - vine.

Jesus is our support. We cannot show the Love of God or be His Love without abiding in Jesus. He is our support. He is our connection to the Father.

John 14:6 (KJV) (Jesus' response to Thomas)

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Jesus is the Way, He is the Truth and He is the Life.

As we stay abiding in Him, continue in Him, dwell in Him, remain in Him we will be able to bear fruit and show and be God's Love.

Romans 5:5 (KJV)

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

The Amplified version says (Romans 5:5), Such hope never disappoints or deludes or shames us, for God's love has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit Who has been given to us.

God's love is shed abroad, it has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit. If you have a personal relationship with Jesus, then you have the Love of God that has been given to you, poured out in your heart by the Holy Spirit. This is how we can and are supposed to walk and operate in Love.

God's Love enables us to be His Love and Love one another even when we don't feel like it or even if we don't want to. We are to be His Love. God loves us so much that He gave us His Love, Jesus. Once again, He is our connection to the Father

A True Relationship Of Love:

John 3:16 (KJV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Believeth: Greek - to have faith (in, upon, or with respect to, a person or thing), that is, credit; by implication to entrust (especially one's spiritual well being to Christ): - believe (-r), commit (to trust), put in trust with.

Whosoever believeth in, have faith in, commit to trust and put in trust with Jesus should not perish, but have everlasting life. ("Should Not" in the Greek - expresses an absolute denial. It's up to us to receive Jesus or to deny Him. We came to the decision when we received Jesus to accept Him or deny Him)

John 3:16 (AMP)

For God so greatly loved and dearly prized the world that He [even] gave up His only begotten (unique) Son, so that whoever believes in (trusts in, clings to, relies on) Him shall not perish (come to destruction, be lost) but have eternal (everlasting) life.

As we see here, believing is having faith in, having trust in and committing to. As we commit ourselves to Jesus by receiving Him into our heart and making Him Lord of our life we receive a life change, we receive eternal life. We have been made the righteousness of God in Him. (2 Corinthians 5:21)

Walk Even As He Walked: In Love!

1 John 2:5-6 (KJV)

5. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

6. He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

1 John 2:5-6 (AMP)

5. But he who keeps (treasures) His Word [who bears in mind His precepts, who observes His message in its entirety], truly in him has the love of and for God been perfected (completed, reached maturity). By this we may perceive (know, recognize, and be sure) that we are in Him:

6. Whoever says he abides in Him ought [as a personal debt] to walk and conduct himself in the same way in which He walked and conducted Himself.

We walk in Love, we walk in Faith and we walk in His Word. We walk by His Word, because we are a doers of His Word.

We walk in Love because that's who He is, it's in His Word and it's His will.

John 15:7-9 (KJV)

7. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

8. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

9. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

1 John 2:6 (KJV)

He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

We continue in His Love and we walk as He walked, by Love and in Love.

We Do As He Said: Love One Another!

John 13:34-35 (KJV)

34. A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

35. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

John 13:34-35 (AMP)

34. I give you a new commandment: that you should love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you too should love one another.

35. By this shall all [men] know that you are My disciples, if you love one another [if you keep on showing love among yourselves]. **(John 15:9, ...continue ye in my love)**

John 13:34-35 (NLT)

34. So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other.

35. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciple.

The Command To Love: We Are Commanded To Love, To Love One Another!

John 15:8-12 (KJV)

8. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

9. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

10. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

11. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

12. This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

Love Is Part Of The Fruit Of The Spirit!

Galatians 5:22-23 (KJV)

22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23. Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

When you have Love you will have joy.

Joy: Greek - *cheerfulness*, calm *delight*: - gladness, greatly, (be exceeding) joy (-ful, -fully, -fulness, -ous).

When you have Love you will have peace.

Peace: Greek - *peace* (literally or figuratively); by implication *prosperity*: - one, peace, quietness, rest, set at one again.

When you have Love you will have longsuffering.

Longsuffering: Greek - *longanimity*, that is, (objectively) *forbearance* or (subjectively) *fortitude*: - longsuffering, patience.

When you have Love you will have gentleness:

Gentleness: Greek - *usefulness*, that is, *moral excellence* (in character or demeanor): - gentleness, good (-ness), kindness.

When you have Love you will have goodness:

Goodness: Greek - *goodness*, that is, *virtue or beneficence*: - goodness.

When you have Love you will have faith:

Faith: Greek - *persuasion*, that is, *credence*; *moral conviction* (of *religious truth*, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher), especially *reliance* upon Christ for salvation; abstractly *constancy* in such profession; by extension the system of religious (Gospel) *truth* itself: - assurance, belief, believe, faith, fidelity.

When you have Love you will have meekness:

Meekness: Greek - *gentleness*; by implication *humility*: - meekness.

When you have Love you will have temperance:

Temperance: Greek - *self control* (especially *continence*): - temperance.

The Manifested Love!

1 John 4:7-11 (KJV)

7. Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

8. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

9. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

10. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

11. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

Loving one another is not a suggestion. As we see here in these verses that Love is of God for God is Love so we see as the body of Christ, He loved us first and He sent His Son to be the propitiation (Greek- atonement) for our sins. The Amplified says, the propitiation (the atoning sacrifice) for our sins.

To love one another is a command as we are the body of Christ and we are to walk in His Love and be His Love as Jesus was when He walked the earth.

We have been enabled to be His Love. Walking in Love and being God's Love is His will and provision.

Staying In Unity, Keeping Strife Out And Walking In Love!

James 3:16 (KJV)

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

They that love God will not intentionally cause strife with others. They will intentionally walk in Love and Love one another. Let us all focus on walking in and being the Love of God! We are blessed and we will continue to be blessed by our obedience to God!

Perfect Love Casteth Out Fear.

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. 1 John 4:18 (KJV)

Perfect: Greek – complete, completeness

God's Love is complete, it lacks nothing. With His Love we know we don't have to have fear. He is our protector. (Psalm 91, Isaiah 54:17)

With God's love it casteth out fear. So fear not for He is with you.

Overcoming Hate With Love and Having The Peace Of God:

Where there is hate there is no love and where there is no love there is no peace.

Philippians 4:7 (KJV)

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

God operates by Love, He wants to operate by His Love and stay in His Love!