

**~LOVE (3050)**

[English, feel affection for, adore, worship, be in love with, be devoted to, care for, find irresistible, be keen on, be fond of, Opposite of, **hate**]

- Abimelech had Abraham swear to exercise loyal-**love** toward him and his posterity, according as he had dealt with Abraham.
- So now swear to me here by God that you will not prove false to me and to my offspring and to my posterity, that, according to the loyal **love** with which I have dealt with you, you will deal with me and with the land in which you have been residing as an alien. (**Genesis 21:23**)
- Yehowah God told Abraham to take his son, Isaac whom he so **loved**, and offer him up as a burnt offering to Yehowah God in the land of Moriah.
- And he went on to say; Take, please, your son, your only son whom you so **love**, Isaac, and make a trip to the land of Moriah and there offer him up as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall designate to you. (**Genesis 22:2**)
- Isaac had **love** for Esau for Esau supplied his father with game, but Rebekah was a **lover** of Jacob.
- And Isaac had **love** for Esau, because it meant game in his mouth, whereas Rebekah was a lover of Jacob. (**Genesis 25:28**)
- Jacob was in **love** with Rachel and so willingly served seven years with Laban as her bride price.
- And Jacob was in **love** with Rachel. So he said; I am willing to serve you seven years for Rachel your younger daughter. (**Genesis 29:18**)
- Later when deceived by Laban, and given Leah, Jacob willingly served seven more years for Rachel, because of his great **love** for her.
- And Jacob proceeded to serve seven years for Rachel, but in his eyes they proved to be like some few days because of his **love** for her. (**Genesis 29:20**)

- **Jacob after having relations with Rachel expressed more **love** for her than for Leah.**
- **Then he had relations also with Rachel and also expressed more **love** for Rachel than for Leah, and he went serving with him for yet seven years more. (**Genesis 29:30**)**
- **Shechem fell in **love** with Jacob's daughter Dinah, and he became persuasive with her.**
- **And his soul began clinging to Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he fell in **love** with the young woman and kept speaking persuasively to the young woman. (**Genesis 34:3**)**
- **Joseph's brothers explained to him, that they had another brother at home, whom their father dearly **loved**.**
- **So we said to my master; We do have an aged father and a child of his old age, the youngest. But his brother is dead so that he alone is left of his mother, and his father does **love** him. (**Genesis 44:20**)**
- **Yehowah God told Moses that he would exercise **loving-kindness** to the thousandth generation in the case of those who **love** him.**
- **But exercising loving-kindness toward the thousandth generation in the case of those who **love** me and keep my commandments. (**Exodus 20:6**)**
- **But exercising loving-kindness toward the thousandth generation in the case of those who **love** me and keep my commandments. (**Deuteronomy 5:10**)**
- **A slave who came to **love** his master could have his ear pierced to show his everlasting devotion to his master, and would remain his slave forever.**
- **But if the slave should insistently say; I really **love** my master, my wife and my sons, I do not want to go out as one set free. (**Exodus 21:5**)**
- **Israelites were to **love** their fellowman as themselves.**
- **You must not take vengeance nor have a grudge against the sons**

of your people, and you must **love** your fellow as yourself. I am Yehowah. ([Leviticus 19:18](#))

- **Israelites were also to **love** the alien resident in their land as themselves, for they themselves were once alien residents and should therefore know what it is like to be one.**
- **The alien resident who resides as an alien with you should become to you like a native of yours, and you must **love** him as yourself, for you became alien residents in the land of Egypt. I am Yehowah your God. ([Leviticus 19:34](#))**
- **You too must **love** the alien resident, for you became alien residents in the land of Egypt. ([Deuteronomy 10:19](#))**
- **Israel was commanded to **love** Yehowah God with all their heart and soul and vital force.**
- **And you must **love** Yehowah your God with all your heart and all your soul and all your vital force. ([Deuteronomy 6:5](#))**
- **Yehowah God is a keeper of his promises toward those who **love** him to a thousand generations.**
- **And you well know that Yehowah your God is the true God, the faithful God, keeping covenant and loving-kindness in the case of those who **love** him and those who keep his commandments to a thousand generations. ([Deuteronomy 7:9](#))**
- **Part of Israel's blessing from Yehowah God was that he would **love** them, and greatly multiply them in the Promised Land.**
- **And he will certainly **love** you and bless you and multiply you and bless the fruit of your belly and the fruit of your soil, your grain and your new wine and your oil, the young of your cows and the progeny of your flock, on the soil that he swore to your forefathers to give to you. ([Deuteronomy 7:13](#))**
- **Israel was therefore commanded to **love** their God and to walk in his ways always.**
- **And now, O Israel, what is Yehowah your God asking of you but to fear Yehowah your God, so as to walk in all his ways and to **love** him and to serve Yehowah your God with all your heart and**

- all your soul. ([Deuteronomy 10:12](#))
- **Yehowah got attached to the forefathers of Israel, so as to love their descendants.**
  - **Only to your forefathers did Yehowah get attached so as to love them, so that he chose their offspring after them, even you, out of all the peoples, as at this day. ([Deuteronomy 10:15](#))**
  - **Israelites could love Yehowah God by keeping all of his Laws and commandments.**
  - **And you must love Yehowah your God and keep your obligation to him and his statutes and his judicial decisions and his commandments always. ([Deuteronomy 11:1](#))**
  - **Israel was commanded to love Yehowah God and to serve him all their days, and would gain a blessing for doing so.**
  - **And it must occur that if you will without fail obey my commandments that I am commanding you today so as to love Yehowah your God and to serve him with all your heart and all your soul. ([Deuteronomy 11:13](#))**
  - **For if you strictly keep all this commandment that I am commanding you so as to do it, to love Yehowah your God, to walk in all his ways and to cling to him. ([Deuteronomy 11:22](#))**
  - **And it must occur that in case he says to you, I shall not go out from your company! Because he does love you and your household, since it was well with him while with you. ([Deuteronomy 15:16](#))**
  - **Because you will keep all this commandment that I am commanding you today by doing it, to love Yehowah your God and to walk in his ways always, you must then add three other cities for yourself to these three. ([Deuteronomy 19:9](#))**
  - **And Yehowah your God will have to circumcise your heart and the heart of your offspring, that you may love Yehowah your God with all your heart and all your soul for the sake of your life. ([Deuteronomy 30:6](#))**
  - **If you will listen to the commandments of Yehowah your God,**

- which I am commanding you today, so as to **love** Yehowah your God, to walk in his ways and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judicial decisions, then you will be bound to keep alive and to multiply, and Yehowah your God must bless you in the land to which you are going to take possession of it. (**Deuteronomy 30:16**)
- **Sampson's wife wept falsely, and she said that he did not **love** her.**
  - **Consequently Samson's wife began to weep over him and to say; You only hate me, you do, and you do not **love** me. There was a riddle that you propounded to the sons of my people, but to me you have not told it. At this he said to her; Why, to my own father and my own mother I have not told it, and ought I to tell it to you? (**Judges 14:16**)**
  - **Later Sampson fell in **love** with Delilah.**
  - **And it came about after that that he fell in **love** with a woman in the torrent valley of Sorek, and her name was Delilah. (**Judges 16:4**)**
  - **Later she accused him of not **loving** her and trifling with her by not telling her the secret of his strength.**
  - **She now said to him; How dare you say; I do **love** you, when your heart is not with me? These three times you have trifled with me and have not told me in what your great power is. (**Judges 16:15**)**
  - **Naomi was told that Ruth her daughter-in-law was better to her than seven sons, because she **loved** her.**
  - **And he has become a restorer of your soul and one to nourish your old age, because your daughter-in-law who does **love** you, who is better to you than seven sons, has given birth to him. (**Ruth 4:15**)**
  - **Jonathan's soul became bound up with David's soul and he began to **love** David as himself.**
  - **And it came about that, as soon as he had finished speaking to Saul, Jonathan's very soul became bound up with the soul of**

- David, and Jonathan began to **love** him as his own soul. (**1 Samuel 18:1**)
- So Jonathan swore again to David because of his **love** for him, for as he loved his own soul he loved him. (**1 Samuel 20:17**)
  - I am distressed over you, my brother Jonathan, very pleasant you were to me. More wonderful was your **love** to me than the love from women. (**2 Samuel 1:26**)
  - Michal, Saul's daughter was in **love** with David, and told her father so.
  - Now Michal, Saul's daughter, was in **love** with David, and they went reporting it to Saul, and the matter was to his liking. (**1 Samuel 18:20**)
  - Saul wanted David to form a marriage alliance with his family, because all Israel had fallen in **love** with David over his exploits.
  - Further, Saul commanded his servants; Speak to David secretly, saying; Look! The king has found delight in you, and all his servants themselves have fallen in **love** with you. So now form a marriage alliance with the king. (**1 Samuel 18:22**)
  - David comforted Bathsheba over the loss of their first son, and so she came to bear Solomon, whom Yehowah God did **love**.
  - And David began to comfort Bath-sheba his wife. Further, he came in to her and lay down with her. In time she bore a son, and his name came to be called Solomon. And Yehowah himself did **love** him. (**2 Samuel 12:24**)
  - Amnon fell in **love** with his beautiful sister Tamar.
  - And it came about after such things that Absalom the son of David had a beautiful sister whose name was Tamar, and Amnon the son of David fell in **love** with her. (**2 Samuel 13:1**)
  - So he said to him; Why are you, the son of the king, so downcast as this, morning by morning? Will you not tell me? At this Amnon said to him; With Tamar the sister of Absalom my brother I am in **love**. (**2 Samuel 13:4**)

- And Amnon began hating her with a very great hatred, because the hatred with which he hated her was greater than the **love** with which he had loved her, so that Amnon said to her; Get up, go away! (**2 Samuel 13:15**)
- Solomon continued to **love** Yehowah God by walking as his father David had walked before his God.
- And Solomon continued to **love** Yehowah by walking in the statutes of David his father. Only it was on the high places that he was regularly sacrificing and making offerings smoke. (**1 Kings 3:3**)
- Solomon clung to many women of the surrounding nations so as to **love** them, and they inclined him away from true worship.
- From the nations of whom Yehowah had said to the sons of Israel; You must not go in among them, and they themselves should not come in among you, truly they will incline your heart to follow their gods. It was to them that Solomon clung to **love** them. (**1 Kings 11:2**)
- Rehoboam was in **love** with Maacah the granddaughter of Absalom.
- And Rehoboam was more in **love** with Maacah the granddaughter of Absalom than all his other wives and his concubines, for there were eighteen wives that he had taken, also sixty concubines, so that he became father to twenty-eight sons and sixty daughters. (**2 Chronicles 11:21**)
- Hanani told Jehoshaphat, that it was not to those hating Yehowah God, but to those **loving** Yehowah God that help should be given.
- Jehu the son of Hanani the visionary now went out before him and said to King Jehoshaphat; Is it to the wicked that help is to be given, and is it for those hating Yehowah that you should have **love**? And for this there is indignation against you from the person of Yehowah. (**2 Chronicles 19:2**)
- The king of Persia came to **love** Esther more than all the other women of his court.

- And the king came to **love** Esther more than all the other women, so that she gained more favor and loving-kindness before him than all the other virgins. And he proceeded to put the royal headdress upon her head and make her queen instead of Vashti. (**Esther 2:17**)
- Yehowah God is righteous, and he does **love** righteous acts.
- For Yehowah is righteous, he does **love** righteous acts. The upright are the ones that will behold his face. (**Psalms 11:7**)
- All of Yehowah God's loyal ones will **love** him, and he will safeguard them.
- O **love** Yehowah, all you loyal ones of his. The faithful ones Yehowah is safeguarding, but he is rewarding exceedingly anyone showing haughtiness. (**Psalms 31:23**)
- Yehowah God is more in **love** with the gates of Zion, his ruling authority, than with all the other residences of Jacob.
- Yehowah is more in **love** with the gates of Zion, than with all the tabernacles of Jacob. (**Psalms 87:2**)
- The Psalmist speaks for the Messiah prophetically, showing that for his **loving** acts toward God's people, they keep resisting him, but on his part, there is prayer.
- For my **love** they keep resisting me, but on my part there is prayer. (**Psalms 109:4**)
- Likewise they render to the Messiah bad for all his good works and fine treatment of them.
- And they render to me bad for good and hatred for my **love**. (**Psalms 109:5**)
- The Psalmist showed that he had come to **love** Yehowah God, because he heard his voice and his many entreaties.
- I do **love**, because Yehowah hears my voice, my entreaties. (**Psalms 116:1**)



- The Psalmist marveled, at how he did **love** the Law of Yehowah God, it was all he thought about daily, **loving** them exceedingly.
- How I do **love** your Law! All day long it is my concern. (**Psalms 119:97**)
- My soul has kept your reminders, and I **love** them exceedingly. (**Psalms 119:167**)
- Wisdom is what men should **love** and keep close to their heart, for it will safeguard them always.
- Do not leave it, and it will keep you. **Love** it, and it will safeguard you. (**Proverbs 4:6**)
- With the **love** of one's wife, one should be in an ecstasy always.
- A lovable hind and a charming mountain goat. Let her own breasts intoxicate you at all times. With her **love** may you be in an ecstasy constantly. (**Proverbs 5:19**)
- The congregator said that men should drink our fill of **love** until morning, and enjoy **love's** expressions.
- Do come, let us drink our fill of **love** until the morning, do let us enjoy each other with love expressions. (**Proverbs 7:18**)
- Those **loving** Yehowah God he himself **loves**, and those searching for him are the ones finding him.
- Those loving me I myself **love**, and those looking for me are the ones that find me. (**Proverbs 8:17**)
- The one missing Yehowah God in his life, is doing violence to his own soul, and all those intensely hating Yehowah God do **love** death.
- But the one missing me is doing violence to his soul, all those intensely hating me are the ones that do **love** death. (**Proverbs 8:36**)
- If you give a reproof to a wise person, he will come to **love** you because of it.
- Do not reprove a ridiculer, that he may not hate you. Give a

reproof to a wise person and he will **love** you. (**Proverbs 9:8**)

- **Love covers over all transgressions, but hatred only stirs up contentions.**
- **Hatred is what stirs up contentions, but **love** covers over even all transgressions. (**Proverbs 10:12**)**
- **The ridiculer does not **love** the one reproving him, and he will not seek out the counsel of wise men.**
- **The ridiculer does not **love** the one reproving him. To the wise ones he will not go. (**Proverbs 15:12**)**
- **A simple diet of vegetables along with a loving atmosphere while eating it, is superior to a manger fed bull in the company of those hating you.**
- **Better is a dish of vegetables where there is **love** than a manger-fed bull and hatred along with it. (**Proverbs 15:17**)**
- **The one covering over transgression is seeking **love**, but to keep regurgitating a matter separates close associates from one another.**
- **The one covering over transgression is seeking **love**, and he that keeps talking about a matter is separating those familiar with one another. (**Proverbs 17:9**)**
- **Do not come to **love** sleep, for one doing so will come to poverty.**
- **Do not **love** sleep, that you may not come to poverty. Open your eyes, be satisfied with bread. (**Proverbs 20:13**)**
- **A revealed reproof, is better than a concealed **love**.**
- **Better is a revealed reproof than a concealed **love**. (**Proverbs 27:5**)**
- **There is a time to **love** and also a time to hate.**
- **A time to **love** and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace. (**Ecclesiastes 3:8**)**

- Mankind are not aware of all the **love** and hate that generations past experienced.
- For I took all this to my heart, even to search out all this, that the righteous ones and the wise ones and their works are in the hand of the true God. Mankind are not aware of either the **love** or the hate that were all prior to them. (**Ecclesiastes 9:1**)
- For their **love** and hate perish in death, and they have no portion anymore under the sun.
- Also, their **love** and their hate and their jealousy have already perished, and they have no portion anymore to time indefinite in anything that has to be done under the sun. (**Ecclesiastes 9:6**)
- A man has nothing better than to see life with his wife whom he **loves** all his days.
- See life with the wife whom you **love** all the days of your vain life that He has given you under the sun, all the days of your vanity, for that is your portion in life and in your hard work with which you are working hard under the sun. (**Ecclesiastes 9:9**)
- The shepherd girl was brought to the house and covered with a banner of **love**.
- He brought me into the house of wine, and his banner over me was **love**. (**Song of Solomon 2:4**)
- The shepherd girl told the daughters of Jerusalem not to incite **love** within her till she was ready.
- I have put you under oath, O daughters of Jerusalem, by the female gazelles or by the hinds of the field, that you try not to awaken or arouse **love** in me until it feels inclined. (**Song of Solomon 2:7**)
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**(Song of Solomon 8:4)**

- **Love** is as strong as death is, and through **love** there is exclusive devotion which is as unyielding as Sheol. The **love** of the Christ will carry spirit anointed Christians through death and beyond.
- Place me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, because **love** is as strong as death is, insistence on exclusive devotion is as unyielding as Sheol is. Its blazings are the blazings of a fire, the flame of Yah. **(Song of Solomon 8:6)**
- Nothing can wash away **love**, for if a man would give up all his material possessions for **love**, no one would ever despise him from doing so.
- Many waters themselves are not able to extinguish **love**, nor can rivers themselves wash it away. If a man would give all the valuable things of his house for **love**, persons would positively despise them. **(Song of Solomon 8:7)**
- Many are the **foreigners**, who in these Last Days have drawn near to Yehowah by Bible study, dedication and baptism. They have come to minister to Yehowah, and to serve him, and to **love** his name. They must keep the Sabbath faithfully, by putting God's wisdom and thoughts above their own, and by resting from their own ways and dealings.
- And the foreigners that have joined themselves to Yehowah to minister to him and to **love** the name of Yehowah, in order to become servants to him, all those keeping the Sabbath in order not to profane it and laying hold of my covenant. **(Isaiah 56:6)**
- It was distressing to Yehowah for his people to fall into sin, suffer and require discipline leading to salvation. In his **love** and compassion he disciplined them, and repurchased them himself.
- During all their distress it was distressing to him. And his own personal messenger saved them. In his **love** and in his compassion he himself repurchased them, and he proceeded to lift them up and carry them all the days of long ago. **(Isaiah 63:9)**
- Yehowah God remembers the loyal **love** and devotion shown by his people who endure trying circumstances in their service of him.

**However, by dedication the people had agreed to undergo this discipline through the Law Covenant.**

- **Go, and you must call out in the ears of Jerusalem, saying; This is what Yehowah has said; I well remember, on your part, the loving-kindness of your youth, the **love** during your being engaged to marry, your walking after me in the wilderness, in a land not sown with seed. (Jeremiah 2:2)**
- **Their land was to be destroyed, and they would be taken off into exile, barefooted and thirsty, if they did not turn around and start listening to their God. But Israel felt it was hopeless, for they had fallen in **love** with strangers.**
- **Hold your foot back from becoming barefoot, and your throat from thirst. But you proceeded to say; It is hopeless! No, but I have fallen in **love** with strangers, and after them I am going to walk. (Jeremiah 2:25)**
- **Jehovah's Witnesses, **improve their way, by trying very hard to present an appealing look to others.** They are in **love** with growth and all the things they do, are done to promote growth. They want as many as possible to come into her bed of love's expressions.**
- **Why do you, O woman, improve your way in order to look for **love**? Therefore it has also been in bad things that you have taught your ways. (Jeremiah 2:33)**
- **Then from the land of Midian, God sent his prophet Moses to deliver his people, from a land far away. Then he exposed to his people his **love**, a **love** to time indefinite, a **love** that would never fade with time. He then drew them away from their slavery and brought them into a land spoken of as the Decoration of all the kingdoms, their Promised Land.**
- **From far away Yehowah himself appeared to me, saying; And with a **love** to time indefinite I have loved you. That is why I have drawn you with loving-kindness. (Jeremiah 31:3)**
- **So Jehovah's Witnesses have grown mightily, as men who desire to advance in this manner, keep coming into her bed with expressions of **love**. Her intercourse though is immoral for she is not drawing men to God for the right reasons or with the right heart. She will become**

**disgusted with all of these ones who kiss up to her to obtain prominence and privilege.**

- **And the sons of Babylon kept coming in to her, to the bed of expressions of **love**, and defiling her with their immoral intercourse, and she continued getting defiled by them, and her soul began to turn away disgusted from them. (Ezekiel 23:17)**
- **So Yehowah says to Hosea to go again to a woman **loved** by another, and one committing adultery against him. In Hosea's case this would be to Gomer. Yehowah then compares this, to what he is experiencing with the sons of Israel, who are in a legal marriage agreement with him through the Law Covenant, and with Christendom today, through the New Covenant, and yet who are chasing after idol gods exhibiting their love for them by worshipping these idols, and eating their sacrifices. Then, Yehowah God's prophet will come to know, how Yehowah God feels at their unfaithfulness being expressed toward him.**
- **And Yehowah went on to say to me; Go once again, **love** a woman loved by a companion and committing adultery, as in the case of Yehowah's love for the sons of Israel while they are turning to other gods and are loving raisin cakes. (Hosea 3:1)**
- **Yehowah shows through two similar illustrations, what Israel was like to him, when he first associated himself with them as a nation. They were like an untended vine growing wild in the wilderness and producing some fruit, likewise there was hope for their own future productivity spiritually. Also they were like the early fig that comes forth upon the fig tree, an early sign of future productivity, and hope, yet not yet substantial.**
- **Yet Israel despite the cultivation efforts of their **loving** God Yehowah, turned themselves to worship the Baal of Peor, and to dedicate themselves to this shameful idol, and in Yehowah God's eyes, they became disgusting to him, just like the thing they chose to worship and to **love**.**
- **Like grapes in the wilderness I found Israel. Like the early fig on a fig tree in its beginning I saw the forefathers of you people. They themselves went in to Baal of Peor, and they proceeded to dedicate themselves to the shameful thing, and they came to be disgusting like the thing of their **love**. (Hosea 9:10)**

- Yehowah then illustrates to Hosea, that he drew them to true worship, as though a bridled horse, with cords of **love**, trying to get them to see that his way was a superior one of **loving-kindness** and of truth. He then cared for them and fed them, loosening their figurative yoke upon their jaws, by supplying them with good things to eat and drink in abundance, both materially and spiritually.
- With the ropes of earthling man I kept drawing them, with the cords of **love**, so that I became to them as those lifting off a yoke on their jaws, and gently I brought food to each one. (**Hosea 11:4**)
- Then he makes a plea to Israel to eventually heal them of their unfaithfulness. He will **love** them, not because they are deserving of his **love**, but of his own free will, because after his exile of them, and destruction of their homeland, his anger will turn back from them.
- I shall heal their unfaithfulness. I shall **love** them of my own free will, because my anger has turned back from him. (**Hosea 14:4**)
- There is no **love** of good and hatred of bad among you, and so you practice badness, while putting on an outward show of good to the world of mankind. But you have not given justice a place in the gate, for your older men practice injustice flagrantly and you do not call them to account.
- Hate what is bad, and **love** what is good, and give justice a place in the gate. It may be that Yehowah the God of armies will show favor to the remaining ones of Joseph. (**Amos 5:15**)
- Micah now relates, that what Yehowah God wants from mankind is really quite simple, for Yehowah God has told mankind what is good, for he is a God of goodness. What does Yehowah God really want back from mankind, for all of the goodness that he has expressed to men? He wants for men to exercise justice in all their dealings. He wants them to **love** kindness, and to walk modestly before their God, not trying to place themselves above him, in their own minds and hearts.
- He has told you, O earthling man, what is good. And what is Yehowah asking back from you but to exercise justice and to **love** kindness and to be modest in walking with your God? (**Micah 6:8**)
- For then Yehowah God will come to be in the midst of his people to time indefinite. As a mighty one, he will protect and save his people,

while actively leading them daily. He also will exult over a willing and obedient people, who always look to him for guidance and support, and over this, he himself will exult with rejoicing. He will become silent in his **love** for his people. He will be joyful over them with happy cries, for they are finally living up to his fine way, one guided by divine principles, of **love**, truth, compassion, justice and mercy, among many others.

- Yehowah your God is in the midst of you. As a mighty One, he will save. He will exult over you with rejoicing. He will become silent in his **love**. He will be joyful over you with happy cries. (**Zephaniah 3:17**)
- They also must not scheme out any calamity against their brothers in their hearts, neither must they come to **love** a false oath, for all of those things are things that Yehowah God hates, and he will always hate them.
- And calamity to one another do not you scheme up in your hearts, and do not **love** any false oath, for these are all things that I have hated, is the utterance of Yehowah. (**Zechariah 8:17**)
- So in answer to their earlier question, and to finish this discussion, Yehowah addresses the original question of the fasts of the different months, that his people are asking, if they need to continue doing. Yehowah then shows, that in that day, Yehowah will turn these times into an exultation and a true festal season, with much rejoicing. So then, **love** truth and peace, and you will live to see it.
- This is what Yehowah of armies has said; The fast of the fourth month, and the fast of the fifth month, and the fast of the seventh month, and the fast of the tenth month will become for the house of Judah an exultation and a rejoicing and good festal seasons. So **love** truth and peace. (**Zechariah 8:19**)
- Under the Law Covenant counsel was given to **love** ones neighbor, and also to hate ones enemies.
- You heard that it was said; You must **love** your neighbor and hate your enemy. (**Matthew 5:43**)
- Yet Jesus counseled his disciples to continue to **love** their enemies and to pray for them, even for those who are actively



persecuting them. This shows what is really in our hearts, and if we really want the best for others in life.

- However, I say to you; Continue to **love** your enemies and to pray for those persecuting you. (**Matthew 5:44**)
- Do not most people **love** those **loving** them. What benefit really is there in our reacting this way, for it is expected of everyone? Even the Jews who considered all tax collectors as wicked people, reacted in this way toward those whom they **loved**.
- For if you **love** those loving you, what reward do you have? Are not also the tax collectors doing the same thing? (**Matthew 5:46**)
- Jesus now shows, that no one can slave for two different masters. They would have competing desires and the slave trying to serve both of them would be torn in different directions always. Is this just general counsel though?
- Certainly not, for now Jesus makes application, showing that we cannot slave for Yehowah God, and at the same time be trying to gain material wealth or riches. These two things are in direct opposition to one another. Every man who wants to serve God, needs to resolve this conflict in his heart, and to know, who his master is.
- No one can slave for two masters, for either he will hate the one and **love** the other, or he will stick to the one and despise the other. You cannot slave for God and for Riches. (**Matthew 6:24**)
- Then he brought out some more, which are unique to the Law Covenant, that of showing honor for parents, and having love for ones neighbor. No other people had such fine laws, and really the gist of the Law Covenant is summed up in the two commandments above. Mankind should **love** their God Yehowah and **love** one another.
- Honor your father and your mother, and, you must **love** your neighbor as yourself. (**Matthew 19:19**)
- Jesus answered that a man must **love** Yehowah God with his whole heart, soul and mind. This is the greatest commandment, for if a man truly does this, he will also **love** his fellowman, and commit no wrongs before God, for God's way is entirely righteous and good, and to **love** it, makes a man righteous and good, to the degree that he **loves** God.

- He said to him; You must **love** Yehowah your God with your whole heart and with your whole soul and with your whole mind. (**Matthew 22:37**)
- The second most important commandment is to, **love** your neighbor as yourself. Of course anyone following the first commandment would do this naturally.
- The second, like it, is this, You must **love** your neighbor as yourself. (**Matthew 22:39**)
- During this time also, there would be an increase in lawlessness, which would cause the **love** of people in general, for God, and for one another, to cool off. This lawlessness, is a breaking of the Law, but primarily of God's Laws. The Bible says that sin is lawlessness.
- Therefore look at the generation we live in today and take it in the context of what the Bible forbids, conduct like fornication, which is practiced openly, and by nearly everyone. Take abortion which men make legal, but which is still lawlessness before God. Take war and genocide which have occurred in this generation on an unprecedented scale, for God views it as nothing more than mass murder.
- Take theft which exists everywhere corrupting the entire system of things we live in, and all of its institutions. Then throw in divorce, homosexuality, lesbianism, racial hatreds and drug abuse. Can you thus get a clear picture of how God views this wicked world we now live in? Would you not yourself, if you had the power, end such a corrupt and wicked world?
- And because of the increasing of lawlessness the **love** of the greater number will cool off. (**Matthew 24:12**)
- Jesus then looked at this man and felt **love** for him, because he wanted to do the will of Yehowah God. Yet Jesus saw within this man something that was yet making him less than perfect in God's eyes. So he told the man, that he should sell all his belongings and give to the poor, and then he could come and be Jesus' follower. If the man did this, then he would have a glorious treasure in heaven.
- Jesus looked upon him and felt **love** for him and said to him; One thing is missing about you. Go, sell what things you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven, and come

be my follower. (Mark 10:21)

- And then Jesus continued to show, that man's obligation to this one God, is to **love** him with ones whole heart and soul and mind and spirit and strength, therefore holding nothing back, for he is fully deserving of this kind of wholehearted love.
- And you must **love** Yehowah your God with your whole heart and with your whole soul and with your whole mind and with your whole strength. (Mark 12:30)
- Then Jesus showed, that the second most important commandment, one which controlled out relations with our fellow man, was, to **love** your neighbor as yourself. Then he showed, that within the Law Covenant, that they were no more important commandments than these.
- The second is this; You must **love** your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these. (Mark 12:31)
- Jesus however told them to continue to **love** their enemies, and to do acts of goodness toward those hating them. This would be in imitation of their heavenly father Yehowah God.
- But I say to you who are listening; Continue to **love** your enemies, to do good to those hating you. (Luke 6:27)
- Jesus then showed, that to express this **love** only to people, who also showed this fine **love** to them, was an incomplete form of **love**, for everyone does this. Thus there is no special credit from God in acting this way. Even people who are sinners act according to this rule.
- And if you **love** those loving you, of what credit is it to you? For even the sinners love those loving them. (Luke 6:32)
- Rather Jesus counseled them to **love** even their enemies doing good to them always. Also they should lend without interest, yet going further, by not hoping for anything back, and if they would do so, then they would become sons of their heavenly father, for that is how he is, doing good toward all men, even toward the thankless and wicked ones. If they would act thus, then their reward would be great in heaven.

- To the contrary, continue to **love** your enemies and to do good and to lend without interest, not hoping for anything back, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind toward the unthankful and wicked. (Luke 6:35)
- Yet when both men found it impossible to repay him, for they had nothing with which to pay him back, he freely forgave the both of them. Then Jesus posed the question to Simon; Which one of them would come to **love** him the more, for his kindness towards them?
- When they did not have anything with which to pay back, he freely forgave them both. Therefore, which of them will **love** him the more? (Luke 7:42)
- So the ruler stated, that man must **love** Yehowah God with their whole, mind, strength, heart and soul. Also they should **love** their neighbors as themselves.
- In answer he said; You must **love** Yehowah your God with your whole heart and with your whole soul and with your whole strength and with your whole mind, and, your neighbor as yourself. (Luke 10:27)
- Then he said, that only woe would come to the Pharisees, who gave the tenth of the tiny little spices like the mint and the rue and of every other sort of vegetable, which things were really tiny requirements of the Law Covenant. Yet the very principles of justice and **love**, they readily passed by, and did not give back to God. They were under obligation to give **love** and justice always, but not to forget the other more minor things of lesser importance.
- But woe to you Pharisees, because you give the tenth of the mint and the rue and of every other vegetable, but you pass by the justice and the **love** of God! These things you were under obligation to do, but those other things not to omit. (Luke 11:42)
- Then Jesus showed, that a series of woes would come upon the self-righteous Pharisees, because of the way they practiced the Law. They did things so that they could appear righteous before other men. Thus they **loved** the front seats in the synagogues, and to be greeted in the marketplaces as Rabbi, or teacher.
- Woe to you Pharisees, because you **love** the front seats in the

synagogues and the greetings in the marketplaces! (Luke 11:43)

- Jesus then drove home his point through yet another illustration, showing that no slave can slave for two different masters. If he tried to do so, then he would soon realize, that he **loved** the one, and hated the other, or he would stick to the one and despise the other.
- Thus Jesus drives home his point, that his disciples cannot slave for God, and also slave for riches. They must come to a firm decision which master, that they will serve throughout their lives.
- Thus saying goodbye to all our material possessions, is a part of every Christian's commitment to serving God acceptably. Truly, not many men are willing to make this commitment, so count the cost.
- No house servant can be a slave to two masters, for, either he will hate the one and **love** the other, or he will stick to the one and despise the other. You cannot be slaves to God and to riches. (Luke 16:13)
- Yet he told these religious leaders, that they surely did not have the **love** of God within them, though they would lead others to think that they did.
- But I well know that you do not have the **love** of God in you. (John 5:42)
- So Jesus countered, that if they really had God as their Father, then they would **love** him, for Jesus came forth from the Father, and was standing here before them as his approved servant. Then Jesus showed them, that he had not come forth to them of his own initiative, but he was sent forth to them by God himself.
- Jesus said to them; If God were your Father, you would **love** me, for from God I came forth and am here. Neither have I come of my own initiative at all, but that One sent me forth. (John 8:42)
- So then, Jesus gave them a new commandment. Now the commandment to **love** one another was not new, for the whole focus of the Law Covenant was to **love** ones neighbor as oneself, and to **love** God with all ones heart, spirit, and active force. Yet the degree of this **love** is what was new, they were to **love** one another, in the same manner that he had **loved** them, even giving one's life in one another's behalf.

- I am giving you a new commandment, that you **love** one another, just as I have **loved** you, that you also **love** one another. (**John 13:34**)
- So then, Jesus showed, that if they truly exercised this degree of **love** toward one another, that all other men would surely recognize, that they were his disciples, for the **love** that he had demonstrated toward his disciples and to all mankind, was truly remarkable, and people would recognize it, when they saw that same kind of **love** manifest in his disciples.
- By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have **love** among yourselves. (**John 13:35**)
- Then Jesus told his disciples that they could show that they **loved** him by observing his commandments, putting into practice his teachings, and following after his fine example of self-sacrificing service to others.
- If you **love** me, you will observe my commandments. (**John 14:15**)
- Then Jesus told them, that the ones who have his commandments, and who observe them, by putting them into practice, they are the ones that **love** him. Also he told them, that if anyone **loves** his Christ, then God will also **love** that one. Jesus then promised to **love** all such ones, and to come to them, and plainly show himself to them.
- He that has my commandments and observes them, that one is he who **loves** me. In turn he that loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and will plainly show myself to him. (**John 14:21**)
- So Jesus answered, by stating, that if anyone **loves** Jesus, that then God and Christ would come to them in spirit, and make their abode with them.
- In answer Jesus said to him; If anyone **loves** me, he will observe my word, and my Father will **love** him, and we shall come to him and make our abode with him. (**John 14:23**)

- Jesus then showed, that persons who did not observe his words, really did not **love** him. Also he was not the one saying this, but the Father who sent him, was who said this.
- He that does not **love** me does not observe my words, and the word that you are hearing is not mine, but belongs to the Father who sent me. (**John 14:24**)
- So with these words Jesus concluded his discussion with his disciples, by saying, that he had said these things, in order for the world to know, that he **loved** the Father. Jesus had then accomplished all the things that his Father had sent him to accomplish. So on leaving he said; Get up, let us go from here. However they did not then immediately leave, but prepared to leave.
- But, in order for the world to know that I **love** the Father, even as the Father has given me commandment to do, so I am doing. Get up, let us go from here. (**John 14:31**)
- So Jesus told them, that just as the Father had **loved** him, and just as he had **loved** them, that they should **love** one another, and thus remain in his **love**.
- Just as the Father has **loved** me and I have **loved** you, remain in my love. (**John 15:9**)
- Then Jesus told them, that if they remained in his commandments, that they would also remain in his **love**. This was so, because he had always observed the commandments of his Father, and so Christ remained in his Father's **love** always.
- If you observe my commandments, you will remain in my **love**, just as I have observed the commandments of the Father and remain in his love. (**John 15:10**)
- So Jesus again told them his new commandment, that they **love** one another, just as he had **loved** them. He gave up his life for them, and because of his great **love** for them he did this.
- This is my commandment, that you **love** one another just as I have **loved** you. (**John 15:12**)

- Then Jesus told them, that no one had any greater **love** for another, than the one who surrenders his own soul for another one of his friends.
- No one has **love** greater than this, that someone should surrender his soul in behalf of his friends. (**John 15:13**)
- Then Jesus commanded them to **love** one another, just as he had **loved** them.
- These things I command you, that you **love** one another. (**John 15:17**)
- Also Jesus revealed that he had made Yehowah God's name known to his disciples, and would make it known further at a later time, so that the **love** with which Yehowah God **loved** his Son, may also be in them, and they would remain in union with Christ.
- And I have made your name known to them and will make it known, in order, that the **love** with which you loved me may be in them and I in union with them. (**John 17:26**)
- So first realizing what was happening, John turned to Peter and told him that it was the Lord. Hence Simon Peter upon hearing that it was the Lord, girded about himself a top garment, and plunged into the sea.
- Therefore that disciple whom Jesus used to **love** said to Peter; It is the Lord! Hence Simon Peter, upon hearing that it was the Lord, girded about himself his top garment, for he was naked, and plunged into the sea. (**John 21:7**)
- So after they had all breakfasted Jesus addressed Peter, and referring to the food that they had just eaten, Jesus asked Simon Peter if he **loved** him, more than food. This was a fair question, for here they were fishing for food, rather than feeding the spiritually hungry ones among mankind, who needed their help. If Peter did **love** Jesus more than food, then he should be feeding his lambs, the little ones that put their faith in him.
- When, now, they had breakfasted, Jesus said to Simon Peter; Simon son of John, do you **love** me more than these? He said to him; Yes, Lord, you know I have affection for you. He said to him; Feed my lambs. (**John 21:15**)



- So to reinforce his point, Jesus asked Peter a second time, the same question. Did he **love** his Lord, more than he **loved** food? So Peter answered that Jesus surely knew that Peter had great affection for him. So again Jesus said to Peter; Feed my little sheep.
- Again he said to him, a second time; Simon son of John, do you **love** me? He said to him; Yes, Lord, you know I have affection for you. He said to him; Shepherd my little sheep. ([John 21:16](#))
- So Peter, turning about, saw the disciple John, whom Jesus used to **love**, whom Peter had asked at the evening meal, about the one betraying him.
- Upon turning about Peter saw the disciple whom Jesus used to **love** following, the one who at the evening meal had also leaned back upon his breast and said; Lord, who is the one betraying you? ([John 21:20](#))
- What seals this commitment with both parties, anointed Christians and Yehowah God? It is the spirit he puts in our hearts, for this spirit works daily with us, and we feel it most through prayer, for this is when we are at our closest to God.
- This **loving** spirit will prove undeniably, to anyone feeling it, that God is love, and that he wants only good for all of his creation. It is personal, intimate, and so very comforting. It takes us on journeys of the mind and spirit, that are unexplainable to others who have never felt its operation.
- If you do not pray daily, then you do not know God, for knowing him starts with prayer. This **loving** spirit shows us, that despite all our stressful circumstances, he is with us, O Immanuel. This spirit is so beautiful, that anyone feeling it, wants to follow after it, wherever it may take him. It is eternally beautiful and enduring.
- And the hope does not lead to disappointment, because the **love** of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, which was given us. ([Romans 5:5](#))
- What **love** Yehowah God recommends to us, he gave us his most **loved** son, his firstborn, his **beloved**, to rescue mankind from certain destruction. Though this son did nothing wrong, he had to willingly leave his glorious position in heaven, and suffer and die for those

whom he **loved** so deeply, for he had made them, and put his heart and soul into the creation of them. This **love** is so deep and enduring, that Christians who place their precious faith in Yehowah and his son Jesus Christ, need never worry about losing the confidence of faith.

- But God recommends his own **love** to us in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. (**Romans 5:8**)
- Does not creation itself teach us, that God makes all of his works cooperate for the common good. Are we as humans not far better off to live on earth among all of his wonderful creations, than on a barren and lifeless planet, like the Moon or Mars. So likewise, God makes his spiritual sons cooperate through the spirit. We are far better off as a group than individually.
- Therefore there should be no dissension among true anointed Christians. If in fact, they are guided by the spirit of God, they will be harmoniously united in the spirit, as one body, through Christ. Could Christendom possibly be the true fulfillment of this, with her thousand and more sects, all in disagreement with one another, hating one another, and disagreeing with the Bible, and what it clearly teaches? Certainly not!
- Now we know that God makes all his works cooperate together for the good of those who **love** God, those who are the ones called according to his purpose. (**Romans 8:28**)
- Christ **loves** all of his Christian brothers of the anointed, and his **love**, once expressed to the point of a painful death in their behalf, is proof positive, of this deep and enduring **love** for his brothers.
- Therefore, since Christ died for his brothers, there is nothing he will hold back from them in helping them to success as they follow in his course. Through persecution, danger, helplessness, distress, hunger and nakedness and the sword, and through any other stress created by the discipline we are enduring as training, he will be with us. You can count on Christ!
- Who will separate us from the **love** of the Christ? Will tribulation or distress or persecution or hunger or nakedness or danger or sword? (**Romans 8:35**)
- No there is nothing in all of God's creation, that is external to us, that can separate us from the **love** of the Christ. What a fine

encouragement to remain in the faith, and keep running hard on the road to life.

- Nor height nor depth nor any other creation will be able to separate us from God's **love** that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (**Romans 8:39**)
- A Christian's **love** should be genuine, just as genuine as the **love** of the spirit of God within him. The Holy Spirit is pure and true, with no deceit whatsoever. This is the kind of **love** we should express freely to all of our brothers and sisters. We must develop a genuine **love** for them, and a genuine hatred of badness, like our heavenly father and we should express nothing, unless it is thoroughly good.
- Let your **love** be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is wicked, cling to what is good. (**Romans 12:9**)
- Do not those, who are suffering and going through persecution, develop a heartfelt compassion for others who are forced to experience similar things. Since all Christians are in the same course of winning the battle, of the spirit over the flesh and its wrong desires, we should act compassionately toward all, for we are all in the same situation.
- None of us should feel, that since we are further along in the race, that we can become faultfinders of others of our brothers, who have not progressed as far, or as fast as we have. We should learn to express **love** and tender affection toward all, who have taken up this fine course to Christian faithfulness. We should take the lead in showing honor to all of our Christian brothers.
- In brotherly **love** have tender affection for one another. In showing honor to one another take the lead. (**Romans 12:10**)
- What is the entire Christian obligation to all others of the human family? To **love** one another! What things we have promised to others, we should pay to the best of our ability, such as bills, taxes and other dues, for we are all interdependent through society.
- Most men under worldly governments, think that paying such obligations, and obeying the Laws is their only responsibility. However Christians go much further, having an obligation to love their neighbors as themselves. No man who **loves** another man will kill him. This does not, somehow, fail to apply to persons of another nationality, as the world currently thinks.

- That is why Christians preach the Good News of God's Kingdom to others, and teach and train others to **love**, and to know God accurately. If men would accept Christian Laws and principles, then these boundaries of peoples, and the hatred that they spawn, would simply disappear. Under God's Kingdom it will disappear.
- Do not you people be owing anybody a single thing, except to **love** one another, for he that loves his fellowman has fulfilled the Law. (**Romans 13:8**)
- Paul now refers back to the Law Covenant of Moses day, which had many Laws, and the focus of all of them was, **to love your neighbor as yourself**. Why do we not do things like, adultery, murder, theft or lying? Would we ourselves like to be treated this way by others? Emphatically no!
- Many people lie, but no one likes to be lied to. Many people steal, but no one likes to have his things stolen. Many people murder, but no one wants to be murdered. Many people commit adultery, but no one wants to share his wife with another men. What hypocrisy! Since so many have such double standards, do we as a people need Law. Emphatically we say, yes!
- Therefore God's Laws, as outlined in the Law Covenant of Moses day, are superior to man's Laws of today, and where there is any true conflict, Gods Laws will prevail for Christians. Really, all mankind should see their wisdom.
- For the Law code, You must not commit adultery. You must not murder. You must not steal. You must not covet, and whatever other commandment there is, is summed up in this word, namely; You must **love** your neighbor as yourself. (**Romans 13:9**)
- Love for one another, the same kind of **love** we express to ourselves, precludes the exercise of evil to others. Therefore **love** is the Law's fulfillment. Christians who **love** others, like themselves, have fulfilled the Law Covenant, though not living under it, through their **love** of the spirit of God.
- **Love** does not work evil to ones neighbor, therefore love is the Law's fulfillment. (**Romans 13:10**)

- Christians have authority to eat any food per the scriptures above, but if we eat foods before a weaker one, foods that he in his mind considers to be defiled because they may have been offered other an idol, then we might stumble him, and then we would not be walking in **love**.
- **Love** is not only submitting to the will of another, but respecting the fears, genuine or otherwise, of others. Get too close to an infant and they will cry every time out of fear, for they cannot move away or stop you, and they are frightened.
- **Love** respects the separation we demand of one another. Christ came to save weaker ones, and so mature Christians should make allowances for them, and respect this separation of their advancement, and not stumble any one of their brothers.
- For if because of food your brother is being grieved, you are no longer walking in accord with **love**. Do not by your food ruin that one for whom Christ died. (**Romans 14:15**)
- To that end, Paul told them to pray for him, and to ask Yehowah God to prosper him, so that he might reach even as far as them. This they would do, for they too **loved** the spirit, as all anointed Christians do.
- Now I exhort you, brothers, through our Lord Jesus Christ and through the **love** of the spirit, that you exert yourselves with me in prayers to God for me. (**Romans 15:30**)
- Paul now through inspiration, and addressed to a composite of several of the Hebrew scriptures, makes a powerful statement about what things are coming for Christians in the future. Humans tend to fit their thinking and their expectations to the things within the existence, that they currently are experiencing. But God is not bounded by such things, and he has many more wonderful things to reveal to mankind, and they are not even able to comprehend these things at present.
- But just as it is written: Eye has not seen and ear has not heard, neither have there been conceived in the heart of man the things that God has prepared for those who **love** him. (**1 Corinthians 2:9**)
- Paul now shows, that he wants to be able to come to them and find them in good spirits, and actively living the truth of God. The truth

will not change, and Paul will not water it down, for he is not partaking of a popularity contest, but is commissioned by Christ to make the nations obedient through faith, by means of Holy Spirit.

- If he comes to them, and finds many dissensions among them, then he will be forced to address them, and thus he will be forced to wield the rod of discipline. Yet he would far rather come with **love** and mildness of spirit, after seeing, that discipline is not necessary, for they are disciplining themselves.

- What do you want? Shall I come to you with a rod, or with **love** and mildness of spirit? (**1 Corinthians 4:21**)

- Now Paul changes the subject and talks about foods that are offered to idols. To begin his discussion he shows, that Christians are knowledgeable about idols, for they know that an idol is nothing, for it is the representation of something in the imaginations of other men, and there is really no other God than Yehowah God. This kind of knowledge can puff us up one toward the other, if we are not careful, but love **builds** one up. (**Isaiah 44:14-20**)

- Now concerning foods offered to idols, we know we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but **love** builds up. (**1 Corinthians 8:1**)

- Paul now shows how to use these fine spiritual gifts from God. Paul had all of these gifts personally, though few men do, or ever have had all of the ones he mentions. The least of these gifts was speaking in tongues.

- Paul now shows, that if he could speak in the tongues of men and angels, but he did not express **love** for others, the sound of the tongues would seem to others like the unpleasant noise of a sounding piece of brass, or that of clashing cymbals. It might get the attention of others, but it would only be a distraction, not something worth continuing to listen to, or imparting anything good.

- If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels but do not have **love**, I have become a sounding piece of brass or a clashing cymbal. (**1 Corinthians 13:1**)

- Then he shows that even the more significant gifts like prophesying, knowledge and faith, are really nothing if exhibited in the absence of **love**. There is a way to present these gifts to others, and it

must always be with **love** for them, and looking out for their best interests.

- And if I have the gift of prophesying and am acquainted with all the sacred secrets and all knowledge, and if I have all the faith so as to transplant mountains, but do not have **love**, I am nothing. (1 Corinthians 13:2)

- Paul also showed, that even if he contributed out of his material things so as to feed the needy, and if he handed his body over to tribulation of the flesh, but did not have **love**, it would all be for nothing.

- **Love** is the fulfillment of the Law Covenant, and Christians are called to a course of actually living up to the Law Covenant's requirements, through its fine principles. **Love** is therefore the reason for all of these fine spiritual gifts, and using them through **love**, is the purpose of Yehowah God in his giving of them, and not so that we may brag or boast about ourselves, or hate one another over them.

- And if I give all my belongings to feed others, and if I hand over my body, that I may boast, but do not have **love**, I am not profited at all. (1 Corinthians 13:3)

- **Love** is long-suffering, which means that it does not get exasperated with others, if they are slow to respond. It puts up with the slow spiritual progress of other Christians, and is ready to forgive and keep hoping for better.

- **Love** is kind, for it looks for ways to express itself to others, and it finds new avenues of expression, because others have a need. Therefore kindness is an outward going expression of **love**, and is generally not a product of self-centered people, but of those with an expansive **love**. It is a fruitage of the spirit of God.

- **Love** is not jealous of another's gifts or blessings, for it realizes, that the other person is superior to you, and accepts Yehowah's appointment of this superior one, as being deserving. It wants to see all in the congregation progress, and receive greater and greater spiritual gifts, for the advancement of the entire body, the congregation.

- **Love** does not brag about its gifts, realizing that they come from God, and not from within oneself. Instead it uses them for the advancement of others, who lack them.
- **Love** does not get puffed up, regarding the fact, that the one possessing these gifts has made spiritual advancement, that may be greater, than that of others. Rather, it realizes, that this gift is given to help all others to reach out further, giving them something to want to reach out for, to gain such gifts themselves.
- **Love** is long-suffering and kind. **Love** is not jealous, it does not brag, does not get puffed up. (1 Corinthians 13:4)
- Therefore **love** is the greatest of all gifts, and it comes through the spirit of Yehowah God. The fruitage of the spirit is **love**. It never fails to work for the good of others. Therefore it never fails. There are other gifts that may come and go, such as prophesying and speaking in tongues, and our knowledge will change constantly as we improve in our own understanding of the Scriptures, but **love** will always be with us, and it is the greatest gift there is. All the other gifts of the spirit must be applied with **love**, or they are simply insignificant!
- **Love** never fails. But whether there are gifts of prophesying, they will be done away with, whether there are tongues, they will cease, whether there is knowledge, it will be done away with. (1 Corinthians 13:8)
- Now there are three fruitages of the spirit that we must exercise in using any of our spiritual gifts we all have and they are faith, hope and **love**. The greatest of these is **love**, for **love** never fails!
- Now, however, there remain faith, hope, **love**, these three, but the greatest of these is love. (1 Corinthians 13:13)
- Paul now draws home his argument about spiritual gifts by saying, that the first thing we should pursue is **love**, for it is the Law Covenant's fulfillment, and our whole obligation before our God, to **love** him and our brothers with all our hearts.
- Still we should care about gaining these other spiritual gifts, and especially, that we should prophesy, for it is the greatest of these other spiritual gifts.
- Pursue **love**, yet keep zealously seeking the spiritual gifts, but



- preferably that you may prophesy. (**1 Corinthians 14:1**)
- Yes, use the gifts of the spirit with love always, for **love** should guide all of a Christian's affairs in life, for **love** is the Law's fulfillment.
  - Let all your affairs take place with **love**. (**1 Corinthians 16:14**)
  - Paul then expresses his **love** for all who remain in union with the Lord Jesus Christ.
  - May my **love** be with all of you in union with Christ Jesus. (**1 Corinthians 16:24**)
  - Paul had written them the first time, and now also, through many tears and anguish of heart, for he cared about all those ones there in Corinth, for they were more than his brothers, they were also his close friends.
  - The purpose of this letter was not to bring sadness to them, but that they might know of the great **love**, that he had especially for them
  - For out of much tribulation and anguish of heart I wrote you with many tears, not that you might be saddened, but that you might know the **love** that I have more especially for you. (**2 Corinthians 2:4**)
  - So Paul now told the congregation to extend their own loving comfort to this man, and confirm, that they **loved** him, and that was why they had disfellowshipped him in the first place.
  - Therefore I exhort you to confirm your **love** for him. (**2 Corinthians 2:8**)
  - Paul now shows how very compelling the **love** of the Christ is towards us all. He died for all mankind, and so then, all had died. He put to death our previous way of looking at life by being willing to sacrifice his own life, to gain a better one, and all who follow in his self-sacrificing way, will die to this life, but gain everlasting life in heaven with Christ.
  - For the **love** the Christ has compels us, because this is what we have judged, that one man died for all, so, then, all had died. (**2 Corinthians 5:14**)

- On the other hand, we also recommend ourselves by remaining pure in our hearts, by accurate knowledge of God, by being long-suffering to all others, by being outgoing in our **love** through kindness, by **loving** the Holy Spirit within us, by a **love** for others, that is free of hypocrisy.
- By purity, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by Holy Spirit, by **love** free from hypocrisy. (2 Corinthians 6:6)
- Paul then complimented them for their many expressions of **love**, and Christian works of faith and knowledge, and for the earnestness, that they have been showing to all those ministering to them. So likewise he requested, that they also have a share in this kind giving, and to abound in this fine work also.
- Nevertheless, just as you are abounding in everything, in faith and word and knowledge and all earnestness and in this **love** of ours to you, may you also abound in this kind giving. (2 Corinthians 8:7)
- Paul was not commanding them to give, but he knew them and what earnestness they had already shown to others, and so he knew, that they too would want to participate in this kind giving. Also he was doing this, so as to make a test of the genuineness of their **love** for Christ, and for all their fellow Christians within the worldwide brotherhood.
- It is not in the way of commanding you, but in view of the earnestness of others and to make a test of the genuineness of your **love**, that I am speaking. (2 Corinthians 8:8)
- Therefore Paul asks them to demonstrate to these ones he sends to them, their **love** of them, and that the gift, that he boasted about from them, should be made ready, so that his boasting about them, might not fall short in any way.
- Therefore demonstrate to them the proof of your **love** and of what we boasted about you, before the face of the congregations. (2 Corinthians 8:24)
- Why? Certainly not, because he did not **love** them there in Corinth, for his God knew how he felt about them.
- For what reason? Because I do not **love** you? God knows I do. (2

## **Corinthians 11:11)**

- Paul would then gladly spend his energies and **love** upon them there in Corinth, pouring out his very soul for them to firm them up for salvation. He then asks; If I **love** you the more, is it right, for me to be **loved** the less, by you?
- For my part I will most gladly spend and be completely spent for your souls. If I **love** you the more abundantly, am I to be loved the less? (**2 Corinthians 12:15**)
- As closing comments, Paul now encourages the brothers to rejoice in their hope ahead, to allow his letter to readjust those who are in need of being readjusted, to be comforted in the Christian course, to think in agreement about what Christianity is, and to live a peaceful life.
- If they do all these things, then the spirit God Yehowah, who is a peaceful and **loving** spirit, will want to draw close to them, and will guard them in his **love** to eternity.
- Finally, brothers, continue to rejoice, to be readjusted, to be comforted, to think in agreement, to live peaceably, and the God of **love** and of peace will be with you. (**2 Corinthians 13:11**)
- Paul now prays, that the undeserved kindness of Jesus Christ will be with all of them, along with the **love** of Yehowah God, and the sharing in the spirit, that all anointed ones have.
- The undeserved kindness of the Lord Jesus Christ and the **love** of God and the sharing in the Holy Spirit be with all of you. (**2 Corinthians 13:14**)
- Paul here again tries to say, that circumcision or uncircumcision matters not, and his reasoning, is that it was part of the Law Covenant, and this Law Covenant has been abolished. I heartily disagree, that circumcision is not important, for it is the seal binding us to the New Covenant. It is an expression of faith in that covenant, and of the coming seed, who we look to for salvation. We must therefore have faith in this one, and our faith must operate through **love** of the spirit, and not by works under the Law Covenant.
- For as regards Christ Jesus neither circumcision is of any value nor is uncircumcision, but faith operating through **love** is.

## **(Galatians 5:6)**

- **Christians are therefore called to a course of freedom for we have a birth from a free woman. However we should not use this freedom as an inducement for the flesh, and for allowing its desires to rule over us again.**
- **We must through our **love** of the spirit of God put these wrong desires to death, by our **love** of the spirit of Yehowah God, which an anointing by him, has placed within us, as a token of our inheritance.**
- **However circumcision is not a work of the flesh, or any part of the Law Covenant either, but it is a work of the spirit for it is a commandment, that came from God himself, denoting this process from birth to death, which his true sons must keep before us daily, while we are here in the flesh on earth. It is a constant reminder to those in the New Covenant, of our circumcised state before our God, of our calling, to his grand promise.**
- **You were, of course, called for freedom, brothers, only do not use this freedom as an inducement for the flesh, but through **love** slave for one another. (Galatians 5:13)**
- **Now the entire Law Covenant stands fulfilled in one statement as respects other people: You must **love** your neighbor as yourself. Jesus Christ had already taught this, and it is the second most important commandment, the first being, to **Love** Yehowah God with our whole heart, spirit, mind and strength. How fitting circumcision is then, to maintaining clean relationships with others, and in doing all things in **love**.**
- **For the entire Law stands fulfilled in one saying, namely; You must **love** your neighbor as yourself. (Galatians 5:14)**
- **Paul has already shown, that the spirit and the flesh are directly opposed to one another, like water and oil, like light and darkness, like good and bad. Now he shows us, what the spirit of God will impel us to act like.**
- **The fruitage or result of the spirit is **love**, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faith, mildness and self-control. Truly how opposed to the works of the flesh these qualities are, they are just the opposite forms of behavior. Christians who are led by God's spirit, will always exhibit them in their lives.**

- On the other hand, the fruitage of the spirit is **love**, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faith. (**Galatians 5:22**)
- Yehowah God chose anointed Christians to come to be in union with his Son, before the throwing down of human seed, as part of his grand purpose. He determined then, for them to be holy and without blemish, before him in **love**, as a fitting wife for his beloved firstborn Son, Jesus Christ.
- Just as he chose us in union with him before the founding of the world, that we should be holy and without blemish before him in **love**. (**Ephesians 1:4**)
- Yet despite this fruitless form of conduct and thinking, God, because he is rich in his undeserved kindness and **love** toward humans, expressed mercy and great love by sending his Son, Jesus Christ, to die for sinful mankind, and to release them from Satan the Devil's grip.
- But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great **love** with which he loved us. (**Ephesians 2:4**)
- Paul asks, that these anointed sons of God, may have the Christ dwell in their hearts with **love**, through their faith in him. He wants them all to become firmly rooted and established upon the foundation cornerstone, the Christ. He wants them to become a strong building, one constructed on a solid foundation, and according to God's plan, while they maintain fine spiritual appreciation, leading to fine conduct and thinking among them, just as it befits a holy people.
- To have the Christ dwell through your faith in your hearts with **love**, that you may be rooted and established on the foundation. (**Ephesians 3:17**)
- Paul wants them all to know the **love** of the Christ, through his spirit, which surpasses all the enjoyments of knowledge, and which anointed Christians can feel through prayer. He wants them to be possessed of all the fullness of God, through his spirit.
- And to know the **love** of the Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness that God gives. (**Ephesians 3:19**)

- Paul now shows them, how they should walk as anointed Christians within the wicked world all around them. They should have complete **lowliness of mind**, always acting and thinking like others were superior to them.
- They should always be **mild** in their dealings with other people, and especially their brothers in the faith. They must exercise **long-suffering**, by being willing to suffer in behalf of the preaching work, and accept opposition to it, from opposers.
- They must always put up with the failings of **their brothers in love**, and not become offended, or grow apart from, or close off from themselves, those who share their faith in the Lord.
- With complete lowliness of mind and mildness, with long-suffering, putting up with one another in **love**. (**Ephesians 4:2**)
- Rather Paul encourages us to speak and to know the truth. By this we can grow up to Christian spiritual maturity through **love** in all things into him who is the head of the congregation, his body.
- But speaking the truth, let us by **love** grow up in all things into him who is the head, Christ. (**Ephesians 4:15**)
- It is Christ who oversees the entire body which must be harmoniously joined together, and which must cooperate through every joint, to give the entire body what it needs. This is supplied everywhere within the body, by individual members, and it makes for the building up of this body in **love**.
- Is this not how our own bodies work, harmoniously and in **love**, with each member working for the good of all other members?
- What if the hands went on strike, and refused to bring food to the mouth? What if the mouth refused to open? What if the nose and mouth got together and closed and allowed nothing through them for the rest of the body? What if the intestines went on strike for six months, seeking more prominence for themselves? Have these questions opened your eyes?
- From him all the body, by being harmoniously joined together and being made to cooperate through every joint that gives what is needed, according to the functioning of each respective member in due measure, makes for the growth of the body for

the building up of itself in **love**. (**Ephesians 4:16**)

- Also Paul counsels them to go on walking in **love**, and with the same kind of **love** Christ demonstrated, when he delivered himself up for Christians as a sweet smelling odor, in sacrifice for their sins before God.
- We must be willing therefore to give up our very lives to see our fellow Christian anointed brothers reach their goals. Imagine, what it would be like, to be among a large body of people who all feel this way about one another?
- And go on walking in **love**, just as the Christ also loved you and delivered himself up for you as an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling odor. (**Ephesians 5:2**)
- Paul now counsels, that each man should individually **love** his wife, as he does his own body. Also the wife should have deep respect for her husband, like that of Sarah had for Abraham.
- Nevertheless, also, let each one of you individually so **love** his wife as he does himself, on the other hand, the wife should have deep respect for her husband. (**Ephesians 5:33**)
- Paul's wish is that the brothers there, may have peace and **love**, to accompany their faith, from God the father.
- May the brothers have peace and **love** with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (**Ephesians 6:23**)
- Paul now shows what he prays about, when he speaks to God in prayer, about them. He wants for their **love** to abound yet more and more. This will come about, as they gain accurate knowledge and full discernment, of what they know, through meditation and contemplation on spiritual matters, under the guiding influence of God's Holy Spirit.
- And this is what I continue praying, that your **love** may abound yet more and more with accurate knowledge and full discernment. (**Philippians 1:9**)
- The later ones were publishing the Christ out of **love** for him, for they knew that Paul was in Rome to defend the Good News of God.

- The latter are publicizing the Christ out of **love**, for they know I am set here for the defense of the Good News. (**Philippians 1:16**)
- Paul then calls to mind how Christians feel. There is encouragement in Christ, for now Christians have a secure hope for the future. There is consolation in the **love** they receive from the Holy Spirit, which comforts Christians in all their tribulation. There is a sharing in the Holy Spirit, through their spirit anointing. There are tender affections and compassions, through this spirit to all possessing it, from the God of all comfort.
- If, then, there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of **love**, if any sharing of spirit, if any tender affections and compassions. (**Philippians 2:1**)
- Paul asks them to make his joy become full, and that they can do this, by being unified in thought, expressing **love** to one another and to all, by acting in unity, as if they were just one soul or body, and by holding their one thought in mind, showing that they all live to accomplish God's purpose within them.
- Make my joy full in that you are of the same mind and have the same **love**, being joined together in soul, holding the one thought in mind. (**Philippians 2:2**)
- Paul has heard good reports of their faith in connection with Christ, and the great **love** that they have for one another, and for all of God's holy anointed sons everywhere.
- Since we heard of your faith in connection with Christ Jesus and the **love** you have for all the holy one's. (**Colossians 1:4**)
- Epaphras has now returned to Paul, and has disclosed to Paul, their **love** in a spiritual way, for all the holy anointed ones.
- Who also disclosed to us your **love** in a spiritual way. (**Colossians 1:8**)
- Through this divine enlightenment, anointed sons of God have been delivered from the authority, of the spiritual darkness of this Satan the Devil's world, and transferred into the Kingdom of the Son of God's **love**, Jesus Christ.
- He delivered us from the authority of the darkness and



transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of his **love**.  
([Colossians 1:13](#))

- Paul wants for their hearts to be comforted through the Holy Spirit, then they will be harmoniously joined together in **love**. If they are, then they can expect to receive the full assurance of their understanding regarding Christ, and their hope ahead, through accurate knowledge of the sacred secret of God.
- That their hearts may be comforted, that they may be harmoniously joined together in **love** and with a view to all the riches of the full assurance of their understanding, with a view to an accurate knowledge of the sacred secret of God, namely, Christ. ([Colossians 2:2](#))
- Paul now adds, that above all things, to clothe yourselves with **love**, for it is a perfect bond of union. **Love** is composed of two forces, both an attraction, and a pushing away, so as to maintain the correct distance and respect for one another.
- If either of these two forces is out of balance, then we will have problems. This can be more difficult, than it appears on the surface, because each person differs in how much personal space they require, and if we get too close them, then we can cause problems. Get right in a baby's face, and you will make them cry, if they do not recognize you from previous association.
- But, besides all these things, clothe yourselves with **love**, for it is a perfect bond of union. ([Colossians 3:14](#))
- At the time of this writing, Timothy has now just returned to Paul from them, and he has given Paul a fine report, of how they are continuing in faithfulness and **love**, and always keeping Paul in mind, and having a good remembrance of him. They too are yearning to see Paul, just as much as he is yearning to see them.
- But Timothy has just now come to us from you and given us the Good News about your faithfulness and **love**, and that you continue having good remembrance of us always, yearning to see us in the same way, indeed, as we also do you. ([1 Thessalonians 3:6](#))
- Paul then expressed his wish, that the Lord may bless them to have a fine increase, through the preaching of the Good News of God's

**Kingdom. He wants them also to increase in love for one another, and to all others, even as he is doing.**

- **Moreover, may the Lord cause you to increase, yes, make you abound, in love to one another and to all, even as we also do to you. (1 Thessalonians 3:12)**
- **Paul now again commends them for the expression of brotherly love, that they demonstrate among themselves, for it is talked about widely. Clearly they have a deep love for one another, and this love comes from Yehowah God, the God of love.**
- **However, with reference to brotherly love, you do not need us to be writing you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another. (1 Thessalonians 4:9)**
- **Now Paul reasons, that since we are sons of the day of spiritual enlightenment, we should keep our senses about us. We can do this by having on the breastplate of righteousness, or protecting ourselves through righteous conduct, and fine works of self-sacrificing love toward others.**
- **We can express an outward-going love, for our brothers, and all the world of mankind through the preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom. Finally as a helmet to protect our minds, we can keep firmly fixed in them, the hope of salvation that awaits us, and which is now nearer than ever before.**
- **But as for us who belong to the day, let us keep our senses and have on the breastplate of faith and love and as a helmet the hope of salvation. (1 Thessalonians 5:8)**
- **Men like this should be given more than extraordinary consideration in love, because of the work, that they are doing in behalf of the entire congregation. Paul concludes, always be peaceable with one another, for peace is from the spirit of God.**
- **And to give them more than extraordinary consideration in love because of their work. Be peaceable with one another. (1 Thessalonians 5:13)**
- **Paul then shows, that he is obligated to thank God often for them, for it is fitting to do so, because of their faith, which is growing**

exceedingly, and their **love** for one another is expanding, and increasing toward one another.

- We are obligated to give God thanks always for you, brothers, as it is fitting, because your faith is growing exceedingly and the **love** of each and all of you is increasing one toward the other. (**2 Thessalonians 1:3**)
- This Man of lawlessness uses every unrighteous deception to mislead those who will listen to him, and who are therefore perishing, for not exercising proper Christian thinking and activity. They are failing in their Christian service, because they did not accept the **love** of the truth, which would have kept them from accepting lies, about how to serve God in holiness.
- And with every unrighteous deception for those who are perishing, as a retribution because they did not accept the **love** of the truth that they might be saved. (**2 Thessalonians 2:10**)
- Paul now prays, for the Lord to continue directing this changeover of their hearts, successfully into all the **love** of God, and through endurance for his Christ.
- May the Lord continue directing your hearts successfully into the **love** of God and into the endurance for the Christ. (**2 Thessalonians 3:5**)
- Paul's objective in giving this mandate, is for the Christians there in Ephesus, and really those everywhere, to treat one another in **love, love** which emanates from a clean heart and a good conscience, and comes through a faith, that is without hypocrisy.
- Really the objective of this mandate is **love** out of a clean heart and out of a good conscience and out of faith without hypocrisy. (**1 Timothy 1:5**)
- Paul now shows, that despite this wicked conduct of his toward true Christians, the Lord Jesus Christ abounded with undeserved kindness toward Paul, along with faith and **love**, to turn him from that destructive course.
- But the undeserved kindness of our Lord abounded exceedingly along with faith and **love** that is in connection with Christ Jesus. (**1 Timothy 1:14**)

- **Women are to be kept safe under God's loving care through child-bearing, provided that they continue in love and faith, and pursue sanctification through Bible study, and maintain a sound mind in the truth.**
- **However, she will be kept safe through childbearing, provided they continue in faith and love and sanctification along with soundness of mind. (1 Timothy 2:15)**
- **Paul then tells Timothy, to let no man ever look down upon him, just because he is a young man. On the contrary, Timothy should become an example to the faithful ones, in speaking, conduct, faith, love and chasteness. If he does these things, then they will praise, him despite his years.**
- **Let no man ever look down on your youth. On the contrary, become an example to the faithful ones in speaking, in conduct, in love, in faith, in chasteness. (1 Timothy 4:12)**
- **The love of money is where many injurious things get a start in our lives. By reaching out for this love, some people have been led away from the faith, and have stabbed themselves all over with many pains.**
- **The faith we have, is that we must follow the lead of Christ, and put the desires of our flesh, to death through our love of the Holy Spirit within us, through our spirit anointing. To keep reaching out for more and more material things, is in direct opposition to his course, and it will cause us to stumble.**
- **Christians who are focused properly spiritually, live a simple life, one that is focused upon service to God, and to the needs of others and of the congregation. They do not care, if they do not have all the things, that people of the world generally possess, for their efforts are self-sacrificing, and directed toward others, for their good.**
- **For the love of money is a root of all sorts of injurious things, and by reaching out for this love some have been led astray from the faith and have stabbed themselves all over with many pains. (1 Timothy 6:10)**
- **Paul now counsels Timothy to flee from these desires. Rather he should pursue righteousness, godly devotion, faith, love, endurance,**

and mildness of temper. These things will keep him busy, and will occupy his mind with good thoughts, as he works righteousness and good deeds toward others, for this is being like God.

- However, you, O man of God, flee from these things. But pursue righteousness, godly devotion, faith, **love**, endurance, mildness of temper. ([1 Timothy 6:11](#))

- Paul now shows, that the spirit of God, is not one of cowardice, but rather one of power to accomplish, and one of **love**, and of soundness of mind.

- For God gave us not a spirit of cowardice, but that of power and of **love** and of soundness of mind. ([2 Timothy 1:7](#))

- Paul now encourages Timothy, to keep holding tightly the pattern of healthful words, that Paul previously told him, doing so with faith and **love** for Jesus Christ.

- Keep holding the pattern of healthful words that you heard from me with the faith and **love** that are in connection with Christ Jesus. ([2 Timothy 1:13](#))

- Therefore Paul now counsels Timothy to flee from the desires, that are incidental to being a young person, for they will quickly pass by, but he should pursue righteousness, faith, **love**, and peace, while working along with all the rest of his spirit anointed brothers, who are calling upon the Lord, out of a clean heart. These later values will never pass by, and will only grow within his heart, and protect him from becoming unclean.

- So, flee from the desires incidental to youth, but pursue righteousness, faith, **love**, peace, along with those who call upon the Lord out of a clean heart. ([2 Timothy 2:22](#))

- Paul now continues with yet further bad qualities. They will be without natural affection, not open to agreement, slandering one another, people without self-control, fierce, without **love** of goodness.

- Are not people just like this today? Has not the **love** of people in general cooled off today and very dramatically so? Though many things need to be done to advance society, no one can agree on how to accomplish it. People lie and slander others with no concern for the

other person. People are lacking in self-control, as is evidenced by drugs and smoking, and a host of other things.

- Having no natural affection, not open to any agreement, slanderers, without self-control, fierce, without **love** of goodness. (2 Timothy 3:3)
- Paul now refers Timothy to himself, and the example that he has set for others, including Timothy. Timothy knew of Paul's teachings, his course of self-sacrifice in behalf of his brothers in the faith, his own faith in persevering despite obstacles, his many sufferings, and the **love** he has expressed to so many, whom he has helped to know God better. He also certainly knows of Paul's endurance in fine works and preaching, for he has been with him through much of this work.
- But you have closely followed my teaching, my course of life, my purpose, my faith, my long-suffering, my **love**, my endurance. (2 Timothy 3:10)
- Paul counsels Titus to encourage the older men to be moderate in habits, and serious about their Christian life course, remaining sound in mind.
- They should be healthy in the faith, by exercising it often in the preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom. They should grow their **love** of the brothers in the congregation, and endure under persecution and tribulation.
- Let the aged men be moderate in habits, serious, sound in mind, healthy in faith, in **love**, in endurance. (Titus 2:2)
- The older women should recall the younger women to their senses to be **loving** their husbands and their children, for this is the course to which they were called.
- That they may recall the young women to their senses to **love** their husbands, to love their children. (Titus 2:4)
- Yet when the kindness and the **love** for mankind on the part of their savior, Yehowah God was manifest through his Christ this changed all things for anointed Christians.
- However, when the kindness and the **love** for man on the part of our Savior, God, was manifested. (Titus 3:4)

- Paul has heard many reports from others, about how his faith and **love** toward Jesus Christ and toward all the holy ones keeps on growing
- As I keep hearing of your **love** and faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the holy ones. (**Philemon 1:5**)
- Paul himself got much joy and comfort over the **love** of Philemon, because he has treated many of the holy ones with tender affections, and this has been refreshing to many.
- For I got much joy and comfort over your **love**, because the tender affections of the holy ones have been refreshed through you, brother. (**Philemon 1:7**)
- Paul instead seeks to gain his help, rather on the basis of **love**, for Paul is then quite old, and is also serving as a prisoner in Rome, for the sake of the Good News of God.
- I am exhorting you rather on the basis of **love**, seeing that I am such as I am, Paul an aged man, yes, now also a prisoner for the sake of Christ Jesus. (**Philemon 1:9**)
- Paul assures them, that God is not unrighteous so as to forget the things, that they have done before this time, for they have had good works, and showed **love** for his name. They have ministered to the holy ones, and taken care of their needs, but more is expected of them.
- For God is not unrighteous so as to forget your work and the **love** you showed for his name, in that you have ministered to the holy ones and continue ministering. (**Hebrews 6:10**)
- Christians also need to consider one another, their fellow Christians. They should **love** one another intensely and try to incite one another to greater works of **love** and righteousness, and for caring for the needy and homeless and widows and orphans among them.
- And let us consider one another to incite to **love** and fine works. (**Hebrews 10:24**)

- Paul now changes subject and gives some fine general counsel to these Christian anointed Hebrew brothers. Let your Christian brotherly **love** continue, unabated.
- Let your brotherly **love** continue. (**Hebrews 13:1**)
- Paul now counsels them to let their manner of life be completely free of the **love** of money, for they should be content with the present things. No amount of money will go with them to their glorious reward in heaven, and so they should stay focused on the truly important things, that will help them to gain that salvation. Money will not bring them any closer to God, to the contrary.
- Let your manner of life be free of the **love** of money, while you are content with the present things. For he has said; I will by no means leave you nor by any means forsake you. (**Hebrews 13:5**)
- Then James shows, that God, who makes the choice of every anointed son of God, choose ones who are poor respecting the material things of the world around them. They are called to become rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom of God, not of material things. Like Christ their exemplar, they will inherit all things from God their father, Yehowah.
- Listen, my beloved brothers. God chose the ones who are poor respecting the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he promised to those who love him, did he not? (**James 2:5**)
- James now shows that if they are following the kingly law, to **love** ones neighbor as oneself, then they are doing fine and pleasing God.
- If, now, you practice carrying out the kingly Law according to the scripture: You must **love** your neighbor as yourself, you are doing quite well. (**James 2:8**)
- Peter is addressing persons in distant places from Jerusalem who came into the truth after Christ's initial three and one-half year ministry. They never saw Jesus Christ, and yet they have come to love him through the preaching of the Good News Peter preaches.
- Though they are not presently looking upon Christ, yet they have faith in him and **love** him. Also through this faith they have been



**anointed by God to a very special calling to heavenly life and immortality, which is an unspeakable and glorified joy that lies before them.**

- **Though you never saw him, you **love** him. Though you are not looking upon him at present, yet you exercise faith in him and are greatly rejoicing with an unspeakable and glorified joy. (1 Peter 1:8)**
- **Peter now encourages them, that now that they have purified their souls by applying the truth in their lives through their heartfelt obedience to God's Holy Spirit, which has resulted in a true and unhypocritical brotherly affection for one another, that they should now **love** one another intensely from the heart, for they are going to spend eternity together in their joint service to God in heaven.**
- **Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth with unhypocritical brotherly affection as the result, **love** one another intensely from the heart. (1 Peter 1:22)**
- **Anointed Christians should show honor to all sorts of men, and they should have an intense **love** for the entire association of other anointed Christians in the entire world, their brothers. They must be in fear of God, and have honor for the king under which they live.**
- **Honor men of all sorts, have **love** for the whole association of brothers, be in fear of God, have honor for the king. (1 Peter 2:17)**
- **Then Peter shows that the man who would **love** life and live to see good days must learn to restrain his tongue from speaking what is bad and his lips from speaking mere deception. Yehowah God is a God of truth and he expects all his servants to be truthful with one another in all their dealings. Also one of the fruitages of his Holy Spirit is self-control, and all must learn self-control over their speech.**
- **For, he that would **love** life and see good days, let him restrain his tongue from what is bad and his lips from speaking deception. (1 Peter 3:10)**
- **Peter now shows that one of the most important things that they must do, is to have intense **love** for one another. This intense **love** on the part of every anointed Christian will cover many of their sins, and**

keep them unblemished in God's sight. Anointed Christians must never become bitter and faultfinding, for this is not God's way.

- Above all things, have intense **love** for one another, because **love** covers a multitude of sins. (**1 Peter 4:8**)
- Peter's counsel to the older men is to shepherd the flock of God which Yehowah God has placed under their **loving** care. They are not under compulsion to do this, for they each have reached out for the privilege of serving the needs of the congregation of God, and so they are willing to give of themselves, by their very nature. They are not doing this for **love** of dishonest gain.
- Shepherd the flock of God in your care, not under compulsion, but willingly, neither for **love** of dishonest gain, but eagerly. (**1 Peter 5:2**)
- Peter then asks that those receiving this letter greet one another with a holy kiss of **love** which was a customary greeting among all anointed Christians in the **First Century C.E.** Peter also extends his wish that they all may have peace, a fruitage of God's Holy Spirit.
- Greet one another with a kiss of **love**. May all of you who are in union with Christ have peace. (**1 Peter 5:14**)
- Also to this godly devotion they should expand out their affection for all their fellow anointed Christians, which will in time, turn into a deep **love** for them.
- To your godly devotion brotherly affection, to your brotherly affection **love**. (**2 Peter 1:7**)
- It is within the man who copies the example of Jesus Christ closely, that the **love** of Yehowah God is made perfect or complete. Also by this copying of Jesus Christ's example closely we know that we are remaining in union with him.
- Therefore everlasting life begins with knowledge of the true course of Jesus Christ, and then making application of what we have learned about this fine course, by participating in the same activities of the preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom and doing fine works toward others, as did Jesus Christ.
- But whoever does observe his word, truthfully in this person the

**love** of God has been made perfect. By this we have the knowledge that we are in union with him. (1 John 2:5)

- John now counsels these anointed Christians, that they should not be **loving** the world, or the things that the world **loves**. He warns them that if anyone of them **loves** the world and its ways, that the **love** of Yehowah God is not within him, for the two are directly opposed to one another.
- Do not be **loving** either the world or the things in the world. If anyone **loves** the world, the **love** of the Father is not in him. (1 John 2:15)
- John now relates to these ones who share in the Holy Spirit, about how wonderful it is to be son **loved** by Yehowah God, for he is truly wonderful, and his ways are superlative. Who would not want to imitate him!
- True anointed ones are children of God through this anointing through the Holy Spirit, but also because they apply what the spirit teaches them, thus imitating their heavenly Father, and thus becoming his spiritual children.
- Since the rest of the world is spiritually alienated from Yehowah God, and from the knowledge of him and his ways, they have not come to know him as have his true anointed sons, and so they do not understand these anointed sons of God.
- See what sort of **love** the Father has given us, so that we should be called children of God, and such we are. That is why the world does not have a knowledge of us, because it has not come to know him. (1 John 3:1)
- This is how we can differentiate the children or offspring of the Devil and the children of God, clearly identifying them. Everyone that does not carry on righteousness, does not originate with God. Also anyone who does not **love** his brother does not originate with God.
- The children of God and the children of the Devil are evident by this fact. Everyone who does not carry on righteousness does not originate with God, neither does he who does not **love** his brother. (1 John 3:10)

- John then shows that the message that they have as anointed Christians, which they heard from the very beginning, is that they should have **love** for one another, for this was the message of Christ Jesus and all his apostles. It is also the teaching of Moses and the Law Covenant and of all who have come before them.
- For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should have **love** for one another. ([1 John 3:11](#))
- Anointed Christians know that they have passed over from death to life, because they have deep brotherly affection and **love** for one another within the congregation. Yet he who does not **love** thus, remains in death, the death caused through sin, from which he has not yet found an escape.
- We know we have passed over from death to life, because we **love** the brothers. He who does not love remains in death. ([1 John 3:14](#))
- Anointed Christians have come to know the **love** of the Christ through his giving freely of his very life for their salvation. Since that is the kind of **love** Christ has expressed to all his disciples, then they themselves are under obligation to **love** one another, and even to give their very lives in behalf of their brothers if needed.
- By this we have come to know **love**, because that one surrendered his soul for us, and we are under obligation to surrender our souls for our brothers. ([1 John 3:16](#))
- John now shows how we must express this divine love. If we see a brother who has needs, like clothing or food or a place to stay that is safe and restful, and yet we shut our tender affections upon him, in what way would that be demonstrating the **love** of Yehowah God and of his Christ.
- But whoever has this world's means for supporting life and beholds his brother having need and yet shuts the door of his tender compassions upon him, in what way does the **love** of God remain in him? ([1 John 3:17](#))
- John then encourages his little spiritual children, to **love** neither in word nor with the tongue alone, but to **love** in deed and truth, for

unless our faith moves us to action, then it is empty and hollow, dead like a corpse without spirit.

- Little children, let us **love**, neither in word nor with the tongue, but in deed and truth. (1 John 3:18)
- John now shows that we must continue **loving** one another, because **love** is from God. Really, everyone who **loves** has been born from God, and he gains the knowledge of God, because God is **love**, and all those who have his spirit know him intimately, and they in turn **love** others, just as they are being **loved** by God.
- **Beloved** ones, let us continue loving one another, because love is from God, and everyone who loves has been born from God and gains the knowledge of God. (1 John 4:7)
- Thus he that does not **love** really does not know God, for God is love. **Love** is his most dominant quality and anyone who has ever felt the Holy Spirit knows it intimately.
- He that does not **love** has not come to know God, because God is love. (1 John 4:8)
- For anointed Christians, the **love** of God has been made manifest to them, through the giving of Christ to mankind by a **loving** Father, Yehowah God. How this one act magnifies the great **love**, that both Yehowah God and his son have for the human family, so as to buy them back from sin and death.
- By this the **love** of God was made manifest in our case, because God sent forth his only-begotten Son into the world that we might gain life through him. (1 John 4:9)
- The **love** is in this respect, not the **love** we have expressed for God, but the **love** he expressed for us, in giving us through his great undeserved kindness his own firstborn son as an everlasting sacrifice for our sins. Surely he will not hold back anything wonderful from us, if we remain obedient.
- The **love** is in this respect, not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent forth his Son as a propitiatory sacrifice for our sins. (1 John 4:10)

- Now John brings home his point, that if this is how God **loves** his anointed sons, then we are also under obligation to **love** one another in the same manner. All anointed Christians should understand this great **love**, because they are all anointed through the Holy Spirit, and they all are experiencing the **love** of God through it.
- **Beloved** ones, if this is how God **loved** us, then we are ourselves under obligation to **love** one another. (1 John 4:11)
- No man has ever beheld God, for that is not possible in our present human form. God is a spirit and as such he is of an entirely different nature than fleshly mankind. He is made of spirit, a living force that is invisible to men. His most dominant quality is **love**, and persons who truly know him, **love** one another. In anointed Christians this **love** is made perfect, and we are drawn irresistibly to him through this wonderful spirit.
- At no time has anyone beheld God. If we continue loving one another, God remains in us and his **love** is made perfect in us. (1 John 4:12)
- Anointed Christians have truly come to know the **love** of God for them, through their spirit anointing, and they believe this **love** is real and forceful toward them. Since God is **love**, then he that remains in **love**, remains in union with God, and God remains in union with him.
- And we ourselves have come to know and have believed the **love** that God has in our case. God is love, and he that remains in love remains in union with God and God remains in union with him. (1 John 4:16)
- The **love** of God is made perfect in anointed Christians through their public declaration of the Good News of God and the message they preach about the Christ. In the coming day of judgment anointed Christians will have freeness of speech, because they have done the will of God, and have exercised the same kind of **love**, that Yehowah God and Christ have for mankind.
- This is how **love** has been made perfect with us, that we may have freeness of speech in the day of judgment, because, just as that one is, so are we ourselves in this world. (1 John 4:17)
- There is no fear of God in the **love** we feel for him, for such fear would exercise a restraint between us. But perfect **love** throws fear to

the outside, it is an irresistibly drawing force within our lives. He that exercises fear, has not yet been made perfect in his **love**.

- There is no fear in **love**, but perfect love throws fear outside, because fear exercises a restraint. Indeed, he that is under fear has not been made perfect in love. (**1 John 4:18**)
- Anointed Christians have come to know such **love**, only because he first expressed such **love** to us, and we have learned to **love** his **loving** attention.
- As for us, we **love**, because he first **loved** us. (**1 John 4:19**)
- Anyone who thus says that he **loves** God, and yet is still showing hatred toward his brothers, is a liar. We must first learn to **love** those that we can see, such as other men, before we can **love** Yehowah God in truth.
- If anyone makes the statement; I **love** God, and yet is hating his brother, he is a liar. For he who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot be loving God, whom he has not seen. (**1 John 4:20**)
- What does it mean to **love** Yehowah God. It means to keep his commandments, plain and simple. Yet the commandments he has given to mankind are not burdensome, they simply promote **love** among one another and toward God, and anyone can easily keep them, if he wants to.
- For this is what the **love** of God means, that we observe his commandments, and yet his commandments are not burdensome. (**1 John 5:3**)
- John introduces himself as the older man, for he is now nearly a hundred years old. This letter is addressed to the chosen lady, and some have felt that it might be addressed to a body of anointed Christians, but more likely it is addressed to a person John knew and **loved** personally, and so it is not as extensive a letter as his first one. John shows that all who have come to know the truth, have come to love this woman, as he does also.
- The older man to the chosen lady and to her children, whom I truly **love**, and not I alone, but all those also who have come to know the truth. (**2 John 1:1**)

- **Because of believing and having a measure of the Holy Spirit in their lives, they will always have undeserved kindness, mercy and peace from God the Father, and his son, Jesus Christ. This will always be expressed to them in truth and with love, from a holy God, to his spirit anointed children.**
- **There will be with us undeserved kindness, mercy and peace from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Son of the Father, with truth and love. (2 John 1:3)**
- **John now writes to this lady, as a person writing to her, something that is not a new commandment, but one that anointed Christians have had since the beginning. They must love one another.**
- **So now I request you, lady, as a person writing you, not a new commandment, but one which we had from the beginning, that we love one another. (2 John 1:5)**
- **What then does love mean, that we go on walking according to God's commandments. Therefore this is nothing new, but by way of a reminder that they should go on keeping God's commandments.**
- **And this is what love means, that we go on walking according to his commandments. This is the commandment, just as you people have heard from the beginning, that you should go on walking in it. (2 John 1:6)**
- **This third letter from John is written to one Gaius about whom nothing is known today. He was a beloved one to John and no doubt a faithful anointed Christian, whom John truly loved.**
- **The older man to Gaius, the beloved, whom I truly love. (3 John 1:1)**
- **These overseers have borne witness to John, that Gaius has genuine love for those ones. He has thus sent them on their way in a manner worthy of God.**
- **Who have borne witness to your love before the congregation. These you will please send on their way in a manner worthy of God. (3 John 1:6)**



- Jude extends his wish to these called ones that the mercy and peace and **love** of their spiritual Father, Yehowah God may be increased to them all who are in union with him through the Holy Spirit which is dwelling within them.
- May mercy and peace and **love** be increased to you. (**Jude 1:2**)
- Jude now likens them to rocks hidden just below water, who come to their **love** feasts to feast with true anointed sons of God. They, like these rocks, are unseen, but anyone jumping into this water who is unwary of them will suffer destruction because of them.
- Also they are like shepherds who feed themselves without fear, not paying close attention to the flock around them to ward off thieves or wild animals.
- They are also like waterless clouds going this way and that across the landscape, but having no rains to bless the land with, thus making it fruitful.
- They are like fruitless trees in autumn at the end of the growing season that have not produced anything of value. Also like trees that have been uprooted, they never will produce anything fruitful.
- These are the rocks hidden below water in your **love** feasts while they feast with you, shepherds that feed themselves without fear, waterless clouds carried this way and that by winds, trees in late autumn, but fruitless, having died twice, having been uprooted. (**Jude 1:12**)
- Jude encourages them to stay close to Yehowah God within his great **love**, right up until the time for Christ's presence among them, so that they may keep the grand hope of everlasting life in view, never losing sight of it.
- Keep yourselves in God's **love**, while you are waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ with everlasting life in view. (**Jude 1:21**)
- That first **love** manifested itself in a searching of the scriptures, and in a determination to get close to the truth. It manifested itself in an eagerness to explore new spiritual concepts, and to gain insight into new scriptural truth. It also manifested itself in a desire to put down, that which is false. Today all of the congregations simply let someone

else, the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses, tell them what the truth is. Our spiritual sacrifice is to **personally** reason out all of the revealed will of Yehowah.

- Nevertheless, I hold this against you, that you have left the **love** you had at first. (**Revelation 2:4**)
- Jehovah's Witnesses have a fine record of good works going back many years. They uphold truth in the community, raise good families and are active preachers of the Kingdom Good News.
- They have endured in this fine work for 83 years now. They have also expanded this ministry in recent years to worldwide proportions.
- I know your deeds, and your **love** and faith and ministry and endurance, and that your deeds of late are more than those formerly. (**Revelation 2:19**)
- They conquer Satan because they exercise faith in the integrity-keeping course of the Son of God, Yahweh, the Lamb. They are no longer fearful of Satan, for they now know how to expose and to defeat him, by the word of their witnessing.
- Even if being spiritually disfellowshipped kills some, they keep right on witnessing, not caring about the false decrees of Satan. They have finally come to love the truth above all else, and they realize that the truth is what will defeat him.
- And they conquered him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their witnessing, and they did not **love** their souls even in the face of death. (**Revelation 12:11**)