

Love

Revealed Truths

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God is Love.

Love is the essence of God's law (The Ten Commandments)

God is our first love.

Those who love God obey Him.

We are to love others.

Love does no harm.

Love must flow.

Jesus is the greatest example of love.

Some key verses:

1Co 13:1-13, 1Jn 4:8, Ro 13:8-10, Dt 6:4,5, Jn 14:15,21, Lev 19:18, Mt 10:16, Jn 7:38, Gal 5:6, 1Pe 2:21, 1Jn 2:5,6

Exposed Falsehoods

It is false to think that the Ten Commandments are obsolete.

It is false to think that we should hate our enemies.

It is false to view God as a cold disciplinarian.

Some key verses:

Jas 2:8, Mt 5:43-47, Rev 3:19

Love is the Greatest Spiritual Attribute

Love is the greatest spiritual attribute. (**1Co 13:1-13, Gal 5:22**)

Note on 1Co 13:1-13: Charity - "In a general sense, love, benevolence, good will; which inclines men to think favorably of their fellowmen, and to do them good." (Webster's Dictionary 1828)

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God is our First Love

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Those who Love God Obey Him

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We are to Love others

We are to love others. (**Lev 19:18, Jn 13:34, Eph 4:1,2, 1Th 3:12, 1Th 4:9, Heb 13:1, 1Pe 1:22, 1Jn 3:10,11, 1Jn 4:7,11,12**)

We are to Love our Enemies

We are to love our enemies. (**Mt 5:43-47, Lk 23:33,34, Ac 7:54-60, Ro 5:10**)

Love Does no Harm

Love does no harm. (**Isa 11:9, Isa 65:25, Mt 10:16, Php 2:15, Heb 7:26**)

Love Promotes Peace

Love promotes peace. (**Pr 10:12**)

Love Hates Evil

Love hates evil. (**Ps 97:10, Pr 8:13**)

God Disciplines those He Loves

God disciplines those He loves. (**Pr 3:11,12, Heb 12:5-11, Rev 3:19**)

Parental Love Includes Discipline

Parental love includes discipline. (**1Sa 3:11-13, Pr 13:24, Pr 22:6,15, Pr 29:15**)

Marriage is to be Full of Love

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(compare **Isa 54:5**)

Love is a Characteristic Sign of God's People

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Love must Flow

Love must flow. (**Jn 7:38, Jn 21:14-17, Gal 5:6, 1Th 1:3, Jas 2:14-17, 1Jn 3:18, Rev 2:1-5**)

It must not be blocked or bottled up. (**Mt 5:14-16, Mt 24:12, Lk 11:33, 1Th 5:19, 2Ti 1:7, 1Jn 4:18**)

It must not be focused on self. (**2Ti 3:1-5**)

Jesus is the Greatest Example of Love

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