Bible Love

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The 6 main stream Christian Churches of today have completely missed the true meaning of Love expressed to the Father. This is the most major and important topic, it is reinforced over and over throughout the entire or complete Bible. It was continually reinforced by Yeshua (Jesus) a large number of times. In addition Love to others is a theme that is not taken into the heart with real action, by many that call themselves Christians. Love is not just a word or idea, it is an action towards all others. Love to both the Father and to all others needs to fully fill the mind and the soul of God's people, governing how they walk in the world.

One needs to use Bible scripture, the Truth of God, to define what Love means and its importance.

1. Introduction

What is the major directive that is given to man throughout the entire Bible? It is keep the commandments! The instruction is directed to keep All the commands that were given to the Israelites, it is not limited to the 10 commandments. The strongest scripture that tells us this, is given by Yeshua and it applies today as it did in the past and will again in the future;

Mat 5:18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the **law**, till all be fulfilled.

The word "*Law*" is all that is contained in the first five books of the Bible, it is known as the "*Torah*". One can find this using Strong's Numbers. This scripture above is clear, but man in the 6 main stream Christian Churches does not like this, they make up fictitious excuses that allows them to walk in the way that they want, they ignore Yeshua's clear message. They do not hear and obey Yeshua. They do not follow Yeshua.

We do not have a new covenant, we have a renewed covenant with the old or original covenant still in full effect. The only difference is now three things are added. Now we are saved by grace along with Yeshua dying for our sins and we are to obey Yeshua. The only things nailed to the cross is our sins and the oral laws or Talmud. Nothing else!

This way forward by the main stream Christian Churches means first, they do not walk forward in repentance and second, they walk forward outside of the Law or Torah, and third, they do not satisfy the requirement of loving the Father. They walk in lawlessness or in **iniquity**. Consider what the following scriptures are referring to and to whom is it directed.

Pro 10:29 The way of the LORD *is* strength to the upright: but destruction *shall be* to the workers of i**niquity**.

Luk 13:27 But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all *ye* workers of **iniquity**.

Yes, Yeshua identifies who are the workers of iniquity and what happens to them, and it all comes down to not walking in Love to the Father and Himself.

Everything in the Bible comes down to one main theme, Obey God and walk in His ways or else disobey and walk in the way of the world, which is the way of walking in sin. It is given to each of us as a free will choice to decide how we will walk. Note that Obey means total obedience, not a pick and choose. If you do not get this right in your walk, nothing else matters.

With the above in mind we can now look at what the Bible tells us about Love.

2. Love to the Heavenly Father

Love to the Father and the Son is defined for us in the Bible, it is not just a warm fuzzy feeling. The following scriptures define first that we are to Love the Father and second how we are to walk and develop in Love to the Father.

Mat 22:37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt **love** the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

Mar 12:30 And thou shalt **love** the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment.

Deu 6:5 And thou shalt **lov**e the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might

We are to Love God with our whole being, with all our strength, heart, mind and soul. This is to be our main way forward. This takes precedence over family and over all aspects of the way of the world. It is to be first in our mind and our focus and in the way we walk. Nothing in life, including life itself, is to be more important than our love to God. We are to keep this always in the front of our mind.

Next we are told how we are to show our love to the Father and the Son.

Joh 14:15 If ye **love** me, keep my commandments

Joh 15:10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my **love**; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his **love**.

Recognize that what Yeshua says comes directly from the Father. If you have put on Christ then you are the same as the Israelites, you are now God's children. What ever applies to one, the same applies to all. There is much more scripture that reinforces the same definition of love expressed to the Father. A few select ones are presented as follows.

1Jn 5:2 By this we know that we **love** the children of God, when we **love** God, and keep his

commandments.

1Jn 5:3 For this is the **love** of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

1Jn 2:3 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.

1Jn 2:4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

1Jn 2:5 But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the **love** of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

Both Love and keeping the Commandments are clearly tied together.

Examine and recognize the consistent theme in all the following scriptures, it is one of Love to the LORD by our action of keeping His commandments and walking in His ways.

Exo 20:6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that **love** me, and keep my commandments.

Deu 7:9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he *is* God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that **love** him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;

Deu 10:12 And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to **love** him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

Deu 10:13 To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?

Deu 11:1 Therefore thou shalt **love** the LORD thy God, and keep his charge, and his **statutes**, and his **judgments**, and his commandments, alway.

Deu 11:13 And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to **love** the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul,

Deu 11:22 For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do them, to **love** the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him;

Deu 30:16 In that I command thee this day to **love** the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his **statutes** and his **judgments**, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

Jos 22:5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the LORD charged you, to **love** the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.

Neh 1:5 And said, I beseech thee, O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that **love** him and observe his commandments:

Dan 9:4 And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that **love** him, and to them that keep his commandments;

Keeping the commandments includes that of keeping the statutes (Holy Days) and the Judgments (righteousness). It is not a pick and choose, it is walking forward in total obedience to God. Note that the statutes include the weekly Sabbath as well as annual Sabbaths. Judgments is walking forth in honesty, fairness and equality applied to all others.

We are given the same instructions in both the Old and New Testaments, to hear and obey Yeshua. In the Bible the word hear really means hear and obey. The word hear in Hebrew is Shema. It also refers to a series of scriptures that tell us to not only hear and obey but to always have God in the forefront of our mind. The following is the series of scriptures referred to as the Shema. The first group leads into the main section that is recited regularly by Jews and Complete Bible followers.

Deu 6:1 Now these *are* the **commandments, the statutes, and the judgments**, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do *them* in the land whither ye go to possess it:

Deu 6:2 That thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to **keep all** his **statutes** and his **commandments**, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.

Deu 6:3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do *it*; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.

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Deu 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

Deu 6:5 And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

Deu 6:6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

Deu 6:7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

Deu 6:8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

Deu 6:9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

Deu 6:17 Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.

If you are not walking forward in the manner described in God's **Will** that is given to us who are His children, then you are not walking forward in love to the Father! Rather then you are walking forward in disobedience to our heavenly Father, you are walking in sin, you are walking in iniquity, you are walking outside of the Torah.

Recognize the meaning of the following scriptures:

Luk 11:2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

Yeshua is giving instructions on how to pray to the Father, He is telling us that God's **Will** is going to be carried out over the entire world, during the time that comes, where God's Kingdom comes down to earth. That occurs during the Millennium. God's Will is the Torah, all of the commands that God gave to man. In the Millennium man will not be able to go his own way, rather man will be forced to obey and keep and live by the Torah. Yeshua and the Saints will rule with a rod of iron enforcing the Torah. Yes this is all in the scriptures.

At this period of time, before Yeshua's second coming, man can choose from his own free will to obey or not to obey. There is a penalty to be paid for disobedience, this penalty occurs in the future at one's resurrection.

3. Love to all Others

First, Yeshua tells us what is the greatest commandment, and then the second greatest.

Mat 22:36 Master, which is the great commandment in the law?

Mat 22:37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt **love** the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

Mat 22:38 This is the first and great commandment.

Mat 22:39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt **love** thy neighbour as thyself.

Mat 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

We are to hear and obey Yeshua, so these commandments are not optional. Since these are the top two commandments, we must be careful to follow and obey and to grow into both. Do not lose sight of the fact that we are **All** God's children, both those that walk in righteousness and those that do not. As children our purpose is to grow and develop in the manner our heavenly Father requires.

<u>1Jn</u> <u>3:23</u> And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and **love** one another, as he gave us commandment.

Yes, there are two types or degrees of love, one to the Father and one to all others. We will now start looking first at the New Testament on what we are told about Love to others.

Who is our neighbor? This is clearly defined for us by the following parable given by Yeshua.

Luk 10:30 And Jesus answering said, A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead.

Luk 10:31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

Luk 10:32 And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked *on him*, and passed by on the other side.

Luk 10:33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion *on him*,

Luk 10:34 And went to *him*, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

Luk 10:35 And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave *them* to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

Luk 10:36 Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was **neighbour** unto him that fell among the thieves?

Luk 10:37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

Our neighbor is anyone of our fellow man. That includes enemies as well as friends. Showing love to our neighbor is helping him when we see that he needs help, especially so when he needs help to survive. We cannot turn away and ignore the trouble that the person is in, if we walk in Christ. We need to help any person that we come across that needs help with the essentials of life or is struggling to overcome a critical crisis of some sort.

Man is created in God's image, so we need to look out for all men's well being.

The following scripture tells us that we cannot be indifferent to seeing and not helping a person in need.

1Jn 3:14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we **love** the brethren. He that loveth not *his* brother abideth in death.

1Jn 3:15 Whosoever **hateth** his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.

1Jn 3:16 Hereby perceive we the **love** *of God*, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.

1Jn 3:17 But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels *of compassion* from him, how dwelleth the **love** of God in him?

When we see a person requiring help we are required to help him, if we walk in Love, we cannot be indifferent to the needs of our fellow man.

Jas 4:17 Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.

If one turns away from helping a person in need, that one sins. Understand that God and Yeshua tell us to love our neighbor. This makes this a command and makes it a major item of the Law.

The following explains that we need to be very careful and respect all people equally, for if we respect the rich more than those that are poor, then we sin.

Jas 2:8 If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:

Jas 2:9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.

Jas 2:10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

The path of walking in Love is clearly defined, not only in the above scriptures but also in those that follow.

Mat 5:38 Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:

Mat 5:39 But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

Mat 5:40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have *thy* cloke also.

Mat 5:41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

Mat 5:42 Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

Mat 5:43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt **love** thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

Mat 5:44 But I say unto you, **Love your enemies**, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

Mat 5:45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

Mat 5:46 For if ye **love** them which **love** you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?

Mat 5:47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more *than others?* do not even the publicans so?

Mat 5:48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

The above is very clear, we are to Love all men, neighbors as well as enemies. The act of helping those in need is one of compassion and empathy, caring for the well being of all others, this is an act of love on our part. One does not know if an enemy will change at some point in the future and come to walking in God's way forward. God wants all men to come back to Him, He is always their waiting with arms open to accept all who of their own free will repent and then walk in His way.

The following scriptures are extremely important as they give the full meaning of our walking in Love.

Pro 24:17 Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:

Pro 24:18 Lest the LORD see it, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him.

When we witness an enemy that falls or stumbles we need to be very careful that we do not rejoice at his misfortune. In order to allow our heart to grow in Love, there is not room for malice thoughts of any kind. This is why we cannot hold a grudge against anyone, this is why we are given the direction to forgive. That means total forgiveness to all. Then and only then the heart is right with God and growing in the manner he requires of us.

4. Conclusion

The most important commands that we are given both from the Father and the Son focus on LOVE. Obedience to the Will of God is how we show our Love to the Father and the Son. The will of God requires first that man walks in the Torah and second that man accepts and obeys Yehsua. Our understanding is that all men are made in God's image and we are all God's children. Some men are obedient and others are not, all based upon God giving us free will. Love to our fellow man is expressed by our action of caring for the well being of **All** others.

The action of Love in our mind is to allow the shaping of our heart in allowing it to grow in the manner that God requires. It allows us, His children, to grow, to develop, to mature and to become more like Him, to value the same way of going forward as what God values. To do this there is no room in our human mind to let ego, malice, hatred, or vengeance in. This growth of our heart is not easy or natural, we need God's help to walk in this manner. Pray always and ask for

God's help in walking with us on our path forward. Our focus needs to be on growing in Love and having a pure mind .

Gal 5:14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, *even* in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

<u>1Jn</u> <u>4:7</u> Beloved, let us **love** one another: for **love** is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

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5. Reference Scriptures on Love

The following are scriptures from throughout the entire Bible that tell us of walking in Love. The more times something is repeated in the Bible, the more important it becomes. The overwhelming number of verses on love, should impress the importance of this theme upon your mind.

- Exo 20:6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- <u>Lev 19:18</u> Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I *am* the LORD.
- <u>Lev 19:34</u> But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God
- <u>Deu 5:10</u> And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that <u>love</u> me and keep my commandments.
- <u>Deu 6:5</u> And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might

- <u>Deu 7:9</u> Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he *is* God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;
- <u>Deu 10:12</u> And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to <u>love</u> him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,
 - Deu 10:19 Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.
- <u>Deu 11:1</u> Therefore thou shalt <u>love</u> the LORD thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, alway.
- <u>Deu 11:13</u> And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to <u>love</u> the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul,
- <u>Deu 11:22</u> For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do them, to <u>love</u> the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him;
- <u>Deu 13:3</u> Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.
- <u>Deu 19:9</u> If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day, to <u>love</u> the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways; then shalt thou add three cities more for thee, beside these three:
- <u>Deu 30:6</u> And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to <u>love</u> the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live.
- <u>Deu 30:16</u> In that I command thee this day to <u>love</u> the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.
- <u>Deu 30:20</u> That thou mayest <u>love</u> the LORD thy God, *and* that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he *is* thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them
- Jos 22:5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the LORD charged you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.
 - Jos 23:11 Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the LORD your God.
- Neh 1:5 And said, I beseech thee, O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments:

- <u>Psa 5:11</u> But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that <u>love</u> thy name be joyful in thee.
- <u>Psa_31:23</u> O <u>love</u> the LORD, all ye his saints: *for* the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.
- Psa 69:36 The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his name shall dwell therein.
- <u>Psa_70:4</u> Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified.
- <u>Psa_91:14</u> Because he hath set his <u>love</u> upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.
- <u>Psa 97:10</u> Ye that <u>love</u> the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.
 - Psa 116:1 I love the LORD, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications.
 - Psa 119:97 MEM. O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day.
 - Psa 119:113 SAMECH. I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love.
- Psa 119:119 Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth *like* dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.
 - Psa 119:127 Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.
- Psa 119:132 Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do unto those that love thy name.
- Psa 119:159 Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness.
 - Psa_119:163 I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love.
 - Psa_119:165 Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them.
 - Psa 119:167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and I love them exceedingly.
 - Psa 122:6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee
 - Psa 145:20 The LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy
 - <u>Pro 8:17</u> I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.
 - Pro 8:21 That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.

- <u>Pro 8:36</u> But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me <u>love</u> death.
- <u>Isa 56:6</u> Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to **love** the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant;
- <u>Isa 61:8</u> For I the LORD <u>love</u> judgment, I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in t<u>Dan 9:4</u> And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that <u>love</u> him, and to them that keep his commandments; ruth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.
- Amo_5:15 Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: it may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph.
- Mic 6:8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what *is* good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?
- Zec 8:17 And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and love no false oath: for all these *are things* that I hate, saith the LORD.
- Mat 5:43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.
- Mat 5:44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;
- Mat 5:46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?
- Mat 6:24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.
 - Mat 19:19 Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself
- Mat 22:37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul,
- Mat 22:39 And the second *is* like unto it, Thou shalt **love** thy neighbour as thyself. and with all thy mind.
 - Mat 24:12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.
- Mar 12:30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment.

- Mar 12:31 And the second *is* like, *namely* this, Thou shalt **love** thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.
- Mar 12:33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love his neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.
 - <u>Luk 6:27</u> But I say unto you which hear, <u>Love</u> your enemies, do good to them which hate you,
- <u>Luk 6:32</u> For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them.
- <u>Luk 6:35</u> But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.
- <u>Luk 10:27</u> And he answering said, Thou shalt <u>love</u> the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.
- <u>Luk 16:13</u> No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and <u>love</u> the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.
 - Joh_5:42 But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you.
- <u>Joh 8:42</u> Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would <u>love</u> me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.
- Joh 13:34 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.
 - Joh 13:35 By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.
 - Joh 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.
- Joh 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.
- Joh 14:23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.
 - <u>Joh 15:9</u> As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.
- Joh 15:10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.
 - Joh 15:12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.
 - <u>Joh_15:13</u> Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

- Joh 15:17 These things I command you, that ye love one another.
- Joh 17:26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare *it*: that the **love** wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.
- Joh_21:16 He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.
- Rom 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
- Rom_8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.
- <u>Rom_8:35</u> Who shall separate us from the <u>love</u> of Christ? *shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
- Rom 8:39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- Rom 12:9 Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.
- Rom 12:10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;
- Rom 13:8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.
- <u>Rom_13:9</u> For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if *there be* any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt <u>love</u> thy neighbour as thyself.
 - Rom 13:10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law
- 1Co_2:9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
 - 1Co 8:3 But if any man love God, the same is known of him.
- 2Co 6:6 By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,
- <u>2Co_13:11</u> Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

- <u>Gal_5:6</u> For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by <u>love</u>.
- Gal 5:13 For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only *use* not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.
- Gal 5:14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, *even* in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
 - Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
- Eph 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in

love:

- Eph_3:17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
- Eph 3:19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.
 - Eph 4:2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;
- Eph 4:15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:
- <u>Eph_4:16</u> From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in <u>love</u>.
- Eph 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.
- Php 1:9 And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and *in* all judgment;
- Php 2:2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.
- <u>Col 1:4</u> Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the <u>love</u> which ye have to all the saints,
 - Col 1:8 Who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit.
- <u>1Th_3:12</u> And the Lord make you to increase and abound in <u>love</u> one toward another, and toward all *men*, even as we *do* toward you:

- <u>1Th</u> 4:9 But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another.
- <u>1Th</u> <u>5:8</u> But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.
- 2Th 3:5 And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ.
- <u>1Ti 1:14</u> And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.
- <u>1Ti 6:10</u> For the <u>love</u> of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.
- <u>1Ti</u> 6:11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.
- 2Ti 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.
- <u>2Ti 1:13</u> Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.
- 2Ti 4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.
- Heb 6:10 For God *is* not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.
 - Heb 10:24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:
 - Heb 13:1 Let brotherly love continue.
- <u>Jas 1:12</u> Blessed *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that <u>love</u> him.
- <u>Jas 2:5</u> Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that <u>love</u> him?
- <u>Jas 2:8</u> If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt <u>love</u> thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:
- <u>1Pe</u> 1:22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:

- 1Pe 2:17 Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king.
- <u>1Pe 3:8</u> Finally, *be ye* all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, *be* pitiful, *be* courteous:
- <u>1Jn 2:5</u> But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the <u>love</u> of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.
- 1Jn 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
- <u>1Jn 3:1</u> Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.
- <u>1Jn 3:11</u> For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should <u>love</u> one another.
- <u>1Jn 3:14</u> We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we <u>love</u> the brethren. He that loveth not *his* brother abideth in death.
- <u>1Jn 3:16</u> Hereby perceive we the <u>love</u> of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.
- <u>1Jn 3:17</u> But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels *of compassion* from him, how dwelleth the <u>love</u> of God in him?
 - <u>1Jn 3:18</u> My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.
- <u>1Jn 3:23</u> And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and <u>love</u> one another, as he gave us commandment.
- <u>1Jn 4:7</u> Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.
 - <u>1Jn 4:8</u> He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.
- <u>1Jn 4:9</u> In this was manifested the <u>love</u> of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.
- <u>1Jn 4:10</u> Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.
 - 1Jn 4:11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.
- 1Jn 4:12 No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

- <u>1Jn 4:16</u> And we have known and believed the <u>love</u> that God hath to us. God is <u>love</u>; and he that dwelleth in <u>love</u> dwelleth in God, and God in him.
- <u>1Jn 4:17</u> Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.
- <u>1Jn 4:18</u> There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.
 - <u>1Jn 4:19</u> We love him, because he first loved us.
- <u>1Jn 4:20</u> If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?
- <u>1Jn 4:21</u> And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God <u>love</u> his brother also.
- <u>1Jn 5:2</u> By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.
- <u>1Jn 5:3</u> For this is the <u>love</u> of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.
- <u>2Jn 1:5</u> And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another.
- <u>2Jn 1:6</u> And this is <u>love</u>, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.
- Jud 1:21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.
 - Rev 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

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