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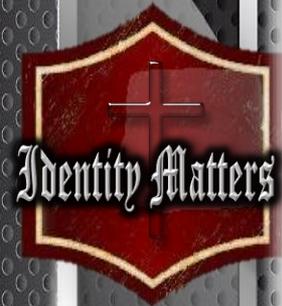
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Advancing Life Within

LOVE LIFE

Love Life is the pinnacle of the Christian Life. Once appropriating the aforementioned 10 definitions/steps, the indwelt believer begins to embrace the two primary commandments spoken of by Christ: love the Lord with your whole heart and secondly, love your neighbor as yourself (Mark 1:30-31). The result is, when we obey we have no condemnation. When we have no condemnation, we have confidence toward God. Then, whatever we ask through Christ, we receive (1 John 3:21-22).



Purpose of This Teaching

Key Truth: Love Life

Indwelt Christians should consider the other person more important than themselves. Dependency upon Christ within will bring a Life of obedience, which will sprout the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Each will overflow into the lives of others.

Key Verse

1 Timothy 1:5 - *"But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith."*

Goals in Discipleship

It is essential we see if those we are ministering to understand all the Truths of Christ as Life and why their Identity Matters. We need to assist in focusing their desires on obeying God and giving the Life of Christ away to others. This is all accomplished though each believer accepting their identity in Christ.

THE PINNACLE LOVE = Releasing Christ to Love

AS A GOAL	Matthew 22:37	THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT IS...
	† Love the Lord with all your heart.	
	Matthew 22:39	THE SECOND GREATEST COMMANDMENT IS...
	† Love your neighbor as yourself.	
END RESULT	Ephesians 4:12	THE BRIDE (CHURCH) IS EQUIPPED.
	† Christ in you is the reason for being equipped.	
	Colossians 3:14	THERE IS UNITY.
	† Oneness in Christ offers oneness in His body.	

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The **Love of Christ** indwelling the believer is released as a goal and a result.

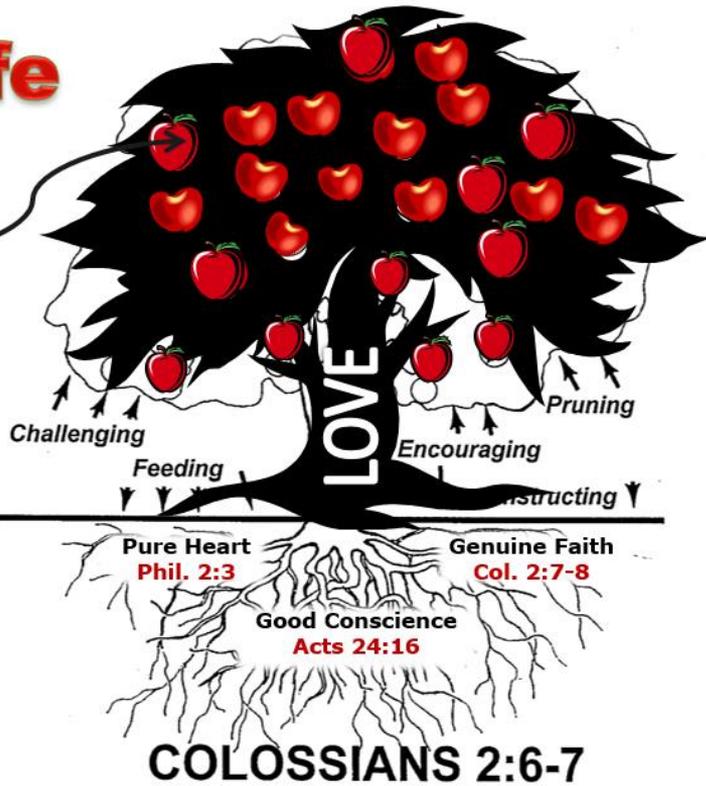
- Read **Matthew 22:36-40** to your disciple.
- **Jesus summarizes all the Law** and the prophets into these two commandments: love God and love others. This love has nothing to do with feelings – it is a *choice* of obedience.
- **Love is not only central**, but reveals the evidence of Christ in the believer.
- **God is love (1 John 4:8)**. Jesus became love, indwells the believer by way of the Holy Spirit, and then reveals true love through the believer.
- **When a person chooses** to walk in and after the Spirit, love flows from the believer as a result.
- **An expression of loving God** is fruitless unless it is given away to others – that's the point of love. When you love someone, you are giving God to that person.
- **Unity in the body of Christ** comes by and through an offering of love from/through Christ.

Tree Of Life

Life and Fruit of Spirit

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

1 Timothy 1:5



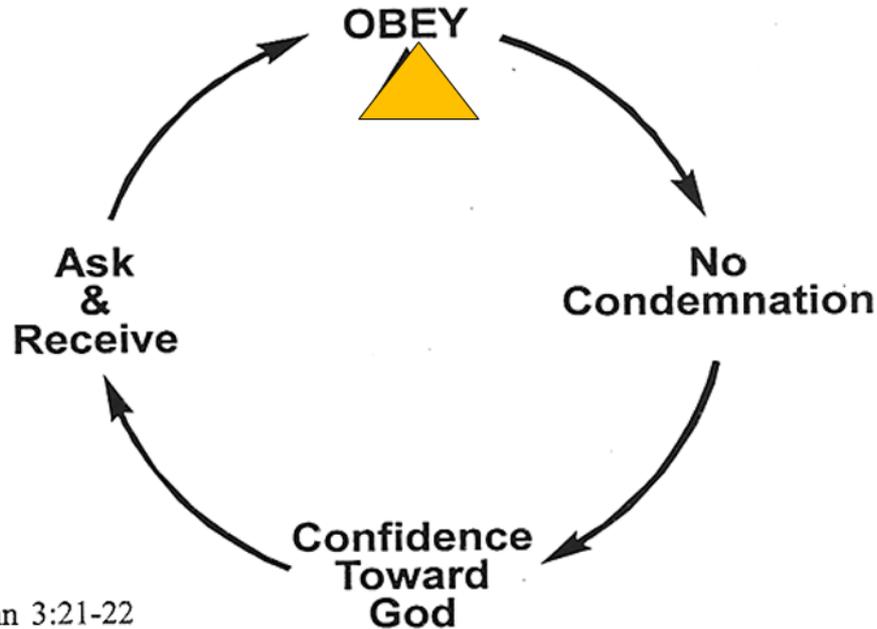
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Above and beyond all the fruit of the Spirit, **love** is the pinnacle of the full expression of Christ in the believer.

- **Most interpret love as** a feeling. In God's reality, it is a person.
- **Self-centered love is** fleshly lust, for praise and approval from others or self.
- **Love will only manifest** from a pure heart (Phil. 2:3). A pure heart is evidenced through considering others more important than self.
- **True love (God) comes** from a good conscience. This means no unreconciled relationships between God and man.
- **The believer's wrong choices** can damage the flow of God's love, which comes from the Life of Christ within.
- **God's love comes from** a genuine faith – bringing the unseen Life of Christ into the seeing world. This will only come through a dynamic love life with Christ.

LOVE EQUALS OBEDIENCE



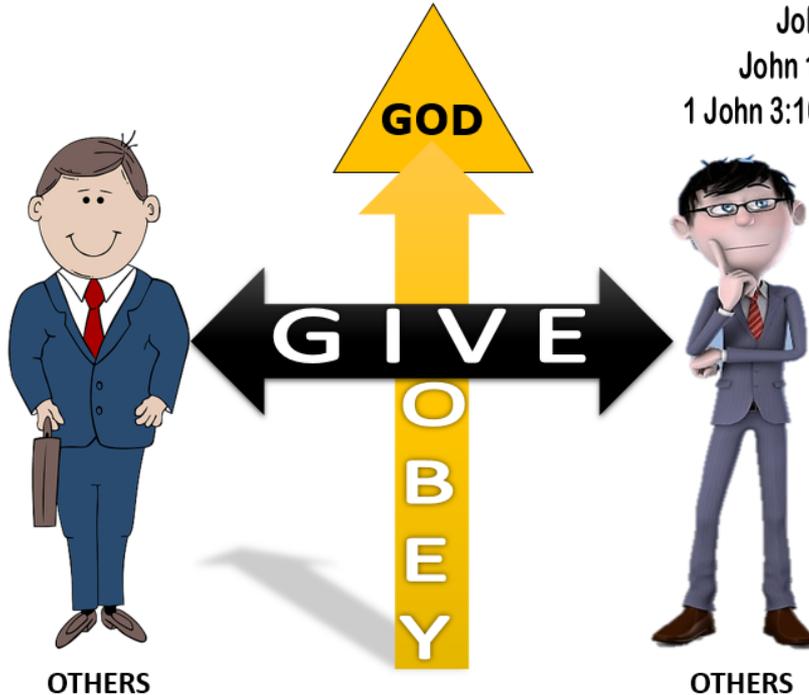
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Love and obedience go hand in hand; one without the other makes the other null and void.

- **This diagram shows that** we experience NO condemnation when we obey Christ within (1 John 3:21-22).
- **Condemnation comes from** the believer's own heart, NOT from God (Rom. 8:1).
- **We feel confident toward God,** when we know we have done what God tells us.
- **When we feel confident toward God,** we can go before Him and make our requests known. God says He will answer our requests (John 15:7).
- **A believer can harden their heart** to God by knowing what He wants done and refusing to do it. This person will have little confidence towards God and little intimacy with Christ from within. God doesn't shut off our relationship with Christ; we just act as if He did – the error is on our part.
- **Obedience affects all** aspects of our prayer life.
- **The cycle of love and obedience** is continuous, when we release Christ to fulfill the Law in us.

LOVING OTHERS



John 3:16
John 13:34-35
John 15:12-13,17
1 John 3:10, 14, 16-18

Love is cheap, unless it is an extension of Christ Life from within, resulting in giving one's life away.

- **Read** 1 John 3:10, 14, 16-18.
- **Love toward others** is expressed, as we GIVE to others.
- **This is *agape* LOVE** (Christ's Life), flowing through the believer.
- **This kind of LOVE** has a motive that is right and righteous. Knowing the difference between Christ's love and self-love is the key.
- **Releasing Christ in us** to love through us is a decision of the will – obeying God.
- **God's love is a deed of Christ**, *not* of our own effort or works.
- **True evidence of Christ in us** is manifested in our willingness to give our lives away to others spiritually, psychologically, and even physically.
- **Giving of one's possessions** does not prove we have Christ in us, but giving Christ through our possessions does.

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BOTTOM LINE



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