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# Love part 3: The love of God

# Laying a foundation

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# Laying a foundation

- (Joh 3:5) Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.
- (Joh 3:6) That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.
- (Joh 3:7) Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'

# The Love of God

 (Mar 12:28) And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?"

 (Mar 12:29) Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

# The Love of God

 (Mar 12:30) And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'

• (Mar 12:31) The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

 (2 Ki 23:25) Before him there was no king like him, who turned to the LORD with all his heart and with all his soul and with all his might, according to all the Law of Moses, nor did any like him arise after him.



#### • 1) The love of God is a mighty love



 (Joh 1:14) And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

 (Gal 1:4) who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father,



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The most loving thing we can do for others is love God more than we love them. For if we love God most, we will love others best.

- (Mat 22:37) And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.
- (Mat 22:38) This is the great and first commandment.
- (Mat 22:39) And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

# To love God

- 1) The love of God is a mighty love
- 2) The love of God is a sacrificial love

# God loves first

• (1 Jn 4:19) We love because he first loved us.

 (1 Jn 4:20) If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. • (Rom 5:8) but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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- 2) The love of God is a sacrificial love
- 3) The Love of God teaches us to love first

 (Rom 12:2) Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

#### Acting in love often precedes emotional consent

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