## All You Need Is Love

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The article "Loving God" is about us loving Him. The article "Love of God" is about Him loving us. This article is the follow up. Knowing Love, what do we do with Him? How do we love as He loves? What do we love? When I was first a Christian, I consistently prayed to be wise. The older and wiser Christian I became than prayed to be clean before Him. Now the prayer has changed. Now I pray to be a lover of people and God. When we spend time with Him, observing Him more clearly, the Bible tells us that we become like Him. Immanuel has changed my goals and my heart simply by manifesting Himself to me in many present and past situations. While drawing me to Himself, He brilliantly solves my distress. All you need is Love.

Studies included in this article are: What Is Love?; Love One Another; Love (Positive); Loved (Positive); Loves (Positive); Love (Negative); Loved (Negative); Loves (Negative); My Love; Love Covers; Love the Stranger; Love Your Neighbor; Example of Loving Your Neighbor: Simon the Pharisee; Who Loved Who

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## What Is Love?

John 15:13 Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.

- 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a Love suffers long *and* is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.
- 2 Corinthians 13:11 Finally, brethren, farewell. Become complete. Be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of <u>love</u> and peace will be with you.
- 1 Corinthians 13:13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.
- Galatians 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is <u>love</u>, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.
- 1 Timothy 1:5 Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, *from* a good conscience, and *from* sincere faith.
- 1 John 4:8 He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

- 1 John 4:10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.
- 1 John 4:16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.
- 2 John 1:6 This is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the commandment, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it.

## Love One Another

- John 13:34 A new commandment I give to you, that you <u>love one another</u>; as I have loved you, that you also <u>love one another</u>.
- John 15:12 This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.
- John 15:17 These things I command you, that you love one another.
- Romans 13:8 Owe no one anything except to <u>love one another</u>, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law.
- 1 Thessalonians 4:9 But concerning brotherly love you have no need that I should write to you, for you yourselves are taught by God to <u>love one another</u>.
- 1 Peter 1:22 Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, <u>love one another</u> fervently with a pure heart.
- 1 Peter 4:8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."
- 1 John 3:11 For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another,
- 1 John 3:14 We know that we have passed from death to life, because we <u>love</u> the <u>brethren</u>. He who does not <u>love</u> *his* brother abides in death.
- 1 John 3:16 By this we know <u>love</u>, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down *our* lives for the <u>brethren</u>.
- 1 John 3:23 And this is His commandment: that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and <u>love one another</u>, as He gave us commandment.
- 1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us <u>love one another</u>, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.
- 1 John 4:11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.
- 1 John 4:12 No one has seen God at any time. If we <u>love</u> one another, God abides in us, and His <u>love</u> has been perfected in us.
- 1 John 4:17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.

- 1 John 4:18 There is no fear in <u>love</u>; but perfect <u>love</u> casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in <u>love</u>.
- 2 John 1:5 And now I plead with you, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment to you, but that which we have had from the beginning: that we <u>love one another</u>.

## Love (Positive)

- Psalms 5:11 But let all those rejoice who put their trust in You; Let them ever shout for joy, because You defend them; Let those also who love Your name Be joyful in You.
- Psalms 40:16 Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; Let such as <u>love</u> Your salvation say continually, "The LORD be magnified!"
- Psalms 69:36 Also, the descendants of His servants shall inherit it, And those who love His name shall dwell in it.
- Psalms 70:4 Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; And let those who <u>love</u> Your salvation say continually, "Let God be magnified!"
- Psalms 97:10 You who love the LORD, hate evil! He preserves the souls of His saints; He delivers them out of the hand of the wicked.
- Psalms 119:47 And I will delight myself in Your commandments, Which I love.
- Psalms 119:48 My hands also I will lift up to Your commandments, Which I <u>love</u>, And I will meditate on Your statutes.
- Psalms 119:97 MEM. Oh, how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day.
- Psalms 119:113 SAMEK. I hate the double-minded, But I love Your law.
- Psalms 119:119 You put away all the wicked of the earth like dross; Therefore I love Your testimonies.
- Psalms 119:127 Therefore I love Your commandments More than gold, yes, than fine gold!
- Psalms 119:132 Look upon me and be merciful to me, As Your custom *is* toward those who <u>love</u> Your name.
- Psalms 119:159 Consider how I love Your precepts; Revive me, O LORD, according to Your lovingkindness.
- Psalms 119:163 I hate and abhor lying, But I love Your law.
- Psalms 119:165 Great peace have those who love Your law, And nothing causes them to stumble.
- Psalms 119:167 My soul keeps Your testimonies, And I love them exceedingly.

Proverbs 4:6 Do not forsake her [Wisdom], and she will preserve you; Love her, and she will keep you.

- Proverbs 5:19 *As a* loving deer and a graceful doe, Let her breasts satisfy you at all times; And always be enraptured with her <u>love</u>.
- Proverbs 7:18 Come, let us take our fill of love until morning; Let us delight ourselves with love.
- Proverbs 8:17 I [Wisdom] love those who love me, And those who seek me diligently will find me.

- Proverbs 15:17 Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, Than a fatted calf with hatred.
- Proverbs 16:13 Righteous lips are the delight of kings, And they love him who speaks what is right.
- Proverbs 17:9 He who covers a transgression seeks love, But he who repeats a matter separates friends.
- Proverbs 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.
- Proverbs 27:5 Open rebuke is better Than love carefully concealed.
- Amos 5:15 Hate evil, <u>love</u> good; Establish justice in the gate. It may be that the LORD God of hosts Will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.
- Micah 6:8 He has shown you, O man, what *is* good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To <u>love</u> mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?
- Zechariah 8:19 Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'The fast of the fourth *month*, The fast of the fifth, The fast of the seventh, And the fast of the tenth, Shall be joy and gladness and cheerful feasts For the house of Judah. Therefore <u>love</u> truth and peace.'
- Matthew 5:44 But I say to you, <u>love</u> your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you.
- Matthew 5:46 For if you <u>love</u> those who <u>love</u> you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?
- Luke 6:27 But I say to you who hear: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you.
- Luke 6:32 But if you <u>love</u> those who <u>love</u> you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners <u>love</u> those who <u>love</u> them.
- Luke 6:35 But <u>love</u> your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil.
- Luke 11:42 But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass by justice and the <u>love</u> of God. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.

#### Loved (Positive)

Psalms 26:8 LORD, I have loved the habitation of Your house, And the place where Your glory dwells.

Proverbs 9:8 Do not correct a scoffer, lest he hate you; Rebuke a wise *man*, and he will <u>love</u> you.

#### Loves (Positive)

Psalms 119:140 Your word is very pure; Therefore Your servant loves it.

Proverbs 12:1 Whoever loves instruction loves knowledge, But he who hates correction is stupid.

Proverbs 13:24 He who spares his rod hates his son, But he who loves him disciplines him promptly.

Proverbs 17:17 A friend loves at all times, And a brother is born for adversity.

Proverbs 19:8 He who gets wisdom loves his own soul; He who keeps understanding will find good.

Proverbs 22:11 He who loves purity of heart And has grace on his lips, The king will be his friend.

Proverbs 29:3 Whoever loves wisdom makes his father rejoice, But a companion of harlots wastes his wealth.

Luke 7:5 For he loves our nation, and has built us a synagogue.

#### Love (Negative)

- Psalms 4:2 How long, O you sons of men, *Will you turn* my glory to shame? *How long* will you <u>love</u> worthlessness *And* seek falsehood? Selah
- Psalms 52:3 You love evil more than good, Lying rather than speaking righteousness. Selah
- Psalms 52:4 You love all devouring words, You deceitful tongue.
- Proverbs 1:22 How long, you simple ones, will you <u>love</u> simplicity? For scorners delight in their scorning, And fools hate knowledge.
- Proverbs 8:36 But he who sins against me wrongs his own soul; All those who hate me love death."
- Proverbs 15:12 A scoffer does not love one who corrects him, Nor will he go to the wise.
- Proverbs 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.
- Proverbs 20:13 Do not <u>love</u> sleep, lest you come to poverty; Open your eyes, *and* you will be satisfied with bread.
- Jeremiah 5:31 The prophets prophesy falsely, And the priests rule by their *own* power; And My people <u>love</u> to *have it* so. But what will you do in the end?
- Hosea 3:1 Then the LORD said to me, "Go again, <u>love</u> a woman *who is* loved by a lover and is committing adultery, just like the <u>love</u> of the LORD for the children of Israel, who look to other gods and <u>love</u> *the* raisin cakes *of the pagans.*"
- Hosea 4:18 Their drink is rebellion, They commit harlotry continually. Her rulers dearly love dishonor.

- Amos 4:5 Offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving with leaven, Proclaim *and* announce the freewill offerings; For this you love, *You* children of Israel!" Says the Lord GOD.
- Micah 3:2 You who hate good and <u>love</u> evil; Who strip the skin from My people, And the flesh from their bones.
- Zechariah 8:17 Let none of you think evil in your heart against your neighbor; And do not <u>love</u> a false oath. For all these *are things* that I hate,' Says the LORD.
- Matthew 6:5 And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they <u>love</u> to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.
- Matthew 6:24 No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and <u>love</u> the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.
- Matthew 23:6 They love the best places at feasts, the best seats in the synagogues.
- Matthew 24:12 And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.
- Mark 12:38 Then He said to them in His teaching, "Beware of the scribes, who desire to go around in long robes, *love* greetings in the marketplaces."
- Luke 11:43 Woe to you Pharisees! For you <u>love</u> the best seats in the synagogues and greetings in the marketplaces.
- Luke 20:46 Beware of the scribes, who desire to go around in long robes, <u>love</u> greetings in the marketplaces, the best seats in the synagogues, and the best places at feasts.
- John 15:19 If you were of the world, the world would <u>love</u> its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

## Loved (Negative)

- Psalms 109:17 As he <u>loved</u> cursing, so let it come to him; As he did not delight in blessing, so let it be far from him.
- Jeremiah 8:2 They shall spread them before the sun and the moon and all the host of heaven, which they have <u>loved</u> and which they have served and after which they have walked, which they have sought and which they have worshiped. They shall not be gathered nor buried; they shall be like refuse on the face of the earth.
- Jeremiah 14:10 Thus says the LORD to this people: "Thus they have <u>loved</u> to wander; They have not restrained their feet. Therefore the LORD does not accept them; He will remember their iniquity now, And punish their sins."
- 2 Timothy 4:10 for Demas has forsaken me, having <u>loved</u> this present world, and has departed for Thessalonica—Crescens for Galatia, Titus for Dalmatia.
- 2 Peter 2:15 They have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the *son* of Beor, who <u>loved</u> the wages of unrighteousness.

## Loves (Negative)

- Proverbs 17:19 He who loves transgression loves strife, And he who exalts his gate seeks destruction.
- Proverbs 21:17 He who loves pleasure will be a poor man; He who loves wine and oil will not be rich.
- Ecclesiastes 5:10 He who loves silver will not be satisfied with silver; Nor he who loves abundance, with increase. This also *is* vanity.
- Isaiah 1:23 Your princes *are* rebellious, And companions of thieves; Everyone <u>loves</u> bribes, And follows after rewards. They do not defend the fatherless, Nor does the cause of the widow come before them.
- Hosea 10:11 Ephraim *is* a trained heifer That <u>loves</u> to thresh *grain*; But I harnessed her fair neck, I will make Ephraim pull *a plow*. Judah shall plow; Jacob shall break his clods.
- Hosea 12:7 A cunning Canaanite! Deceitful scales are in his hand; He loves to oppress.
- John 12:25 He who loves his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

#### My Love (and Paul)

Psalms 109:4 In return for my love they are my accusers, But I [David] give myself to prayer.

Psalms 109:5 Thus they have rewarded me [David] evil for good, And hatred for my love.

1 Corinthians 16:24 My love [Paul] be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

## Love Covers

Proverbs 10:12 Hatred stirs up strife, But love covers all sins.

1 Peter 4:8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."

#### Love the Stranger

Leviticus 19:34 'The stranger who dwells among you shall be to you as one born among you, and you shall <u>love</u> him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

Deuteronomy 10:19 Therefore love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.

## Love Your Neighbor

- Leviticus 19:18 'You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall <u>love your neighbor</u> as yourself: I *am* the LORD.
- Matthew 5:43 You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'
- Matthew 19:19 'Honor your father and your mother,' and, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
- Matthew 22:39 And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
- Mark 12:31 And the second, like *it, is* this: 'You shall <u>love your neighbor</u> as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these.
- Mark 12:33 And to <u>love</u> Him with all the heart, with all the understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to <u>love one's neighbor as oneself</u>, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.
- Luke 10:27 So he answered and said, "You shall <u>love</u> the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself."
- Romans 13:9 For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not bear false witness," "You shall not covet," and if *there is* any other commandment, are *all* summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall <u>love your neighbor</u> as yourself."
- Galatians 5:14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- James 2:8 If you really fulfill *the* royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall <u>love your neighbor</u> as yourself," you do well.

#### Example of Loving Your Neighbor: Simon the Pharisee

#### Parable of the Creditor and the Two Debtors

And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will <u>love</u> him more? Luke 7:42

#### Example of Sinful Woman

Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she <u>loved much</u>. But to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loves little. Luke 7:47

#### Who Loved Who

Genesis 24:67 Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent; and he took Rebekah and she became his wife, and he <u>loved</u> her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's *death*.

Genesis 25:28 And Isaac loved Esau because he ate of his game, but Rebekah loved Jacob.

- Genesis 29:18 Now Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for Rachel your younger daughter."
- Genesis 34:3 His soul was strongly attracted to Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he [Shechem the Hivite] <u>loved</u> the young woman and spoke kindly to the young woman.
- Genesis 37:3 Now Israel <u>loved</u> Joseph more than all his children, because he *was* the son of his old age. Also he made him a tunic of *many* colors.
- Deuteronomy 4:37 And because He <u>loved</u> your fathers [Abraham, Isaac, Jacob], therefore He chose their descendants after them; and He brought you out of Egypt with His Presence, with His mighty power.
- Judges 16:4 Afterward it happened that he [Samson] <u>loved</u> a woman in the Valley of Sorek, whose name *was* Delilah.
- 1 Samuel 1:5 But to Hannah he would give a double portion, for he [Elkaniah] <u>loved</u> Hannah, although the LORD had closed her womb.
- 1 Samuel 16:21 So David came to Saul and stood before him. And he <u>loved</u> him greatly, and he became his armorbearer.
- 1 Samuel 18:1 Now when he had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit to the soul of David, and Jonathan <u>loved</u> him as his own soul.
- 1 Samuel 18:3 Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul.
- 1 Samuel 18:16 But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he went out and came in before them.
- 1 Samuel 18:20 Now Michal, Saul's daughter, loved David. And they told Saul, and the thing pleased him.
- 1 Samuel 18:28 Thus Saul saw and knew that the LORD *was* with David, and *that* Michal, Saul's daughter, <u>loved</u> him.
- 2 Samuel 12:24 Then David comforted Bathsheba his wife, and went in to her and lay with her. So she bore a son, and he called his name Solomon. Now the LORD <u>loved</u> him.
- 2 Samuel 13:1 After this Absalom the son of David had a lovely sister, whose name *was* Tamar; and Amnon the son of David <u>loved</u> her.
- 2 Samuel 13:15 Then Amnon hated her[Tamar] exceedingly, so that the hatred with which he hated her *was* greater than the love with which he had <u>loved</u> her. And Amnon said to her, "Arise, be gone!"
- 1 Kings 3:3 And Solomon <u>loved</u> the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David, except that he sacrificed and burned incense at the high places.
- 1 Kings 5:1 Now Hiram king of Tyre sent his servants to Solomon, because he heard that they had anointed him king in place of his father, for Hiram had always <u>loved</u> David.
- 1 Kings 10:9 Blessed be the LORD your God, who delighted in you [Solomon], setting you on the throne of Israel! Because the LORD has <u>loved</u> Israel forever, therefore He made you king, to do justice and righteousness.

- 1 Kings 11:1 But King Solomon <u>loved</u> many foreign women, as well as the daughter of Pharaoh: women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians, *and* Hittites—
- 2 Chronicles 11:21 Now Rehoboam <u>loved</u> Maachah the granddaughter of Absalom more than all his wives and his concubines; for he took eighteen wives and sixty concubines, and begot twenty–eight sons and sixty daughters.
- 2 Chronicles 26:10 Also he [King Uzziah] built towers in the desert. He dug many wells, for he had much livestock, both in the lowlands and in the plains; *he also had* farmers and vinedressers in the mountains and in Carmel, for he <u>loved</u> the soil.
- Esther 2:17 The king [Ahasuerus] <u>loved</u> Esther more than all the *other* women, and she obtained grace and favor in his sight more than all the virgins; so he set the royal crown upon her head and made her queen instead of Vashti.

Psalms 78:68 But chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Zion which He loved.

John 11:5 Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus.

- John 15:9 As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has <u>loved</u> us and given *us* everlasting consolation and good hope by grace.