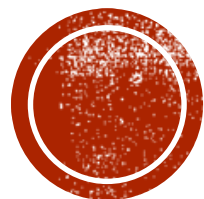
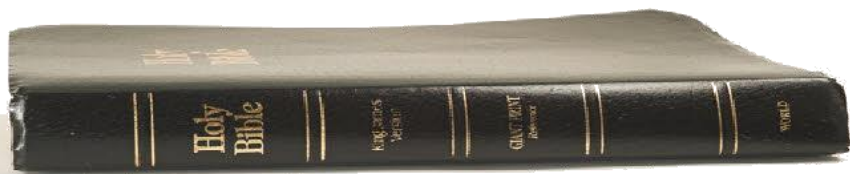




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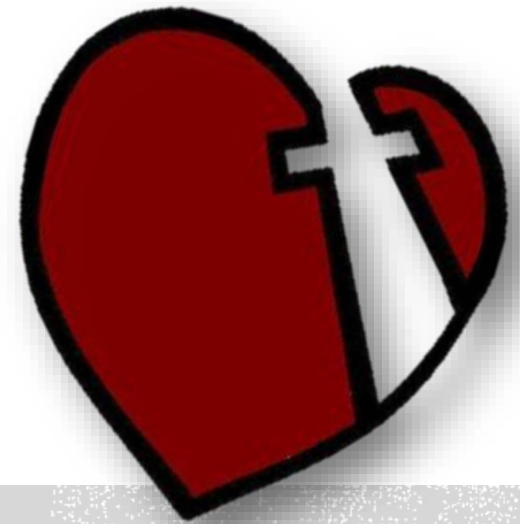
John 13:34-35

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Loving by God's standard shows the world
what a disciple of Christ truly looks like.



1. LOVE IS FROM GOD



A. GOD IS LOVE: 1 John 4:7,8

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

A. GOD ACTS WITH LOVE: Psalm 89:14

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne;
Lovingkindness and truth go before You.



LOVE IS **SEEN** IN THE **ACTIONS** OF GOD



A. MANIFESTED: 1 John 4:9

By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

B. KNOWN: 1 John 3:16

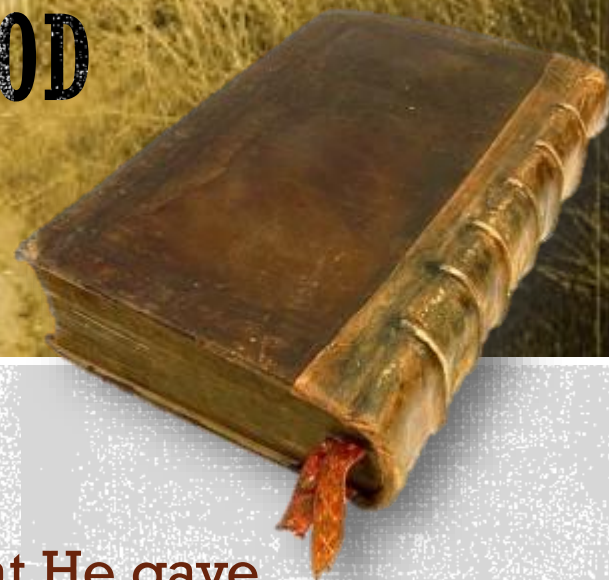
We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

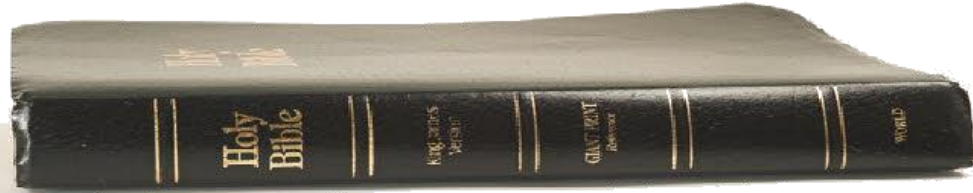


3. LOVE IS DEFINED BY GOD

JOHN 3:16

For God so loved the world, that He gave
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- and **universally**
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- that's in their **best** interest

Love Defined

LOVE DEFINED

Love is an attitude
held towards another
which causes one to
act sacrificially in
their best interest.

“Who get's to decide what
is in our best interest?”





4. LOVE IS LEARNED BY GOD'S WORD

Matthew 7:12

"Therefore, however you want people to treat you, so treat them, for this is the Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22:37-40

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.' 38 'This is the great and foremost commandment.

39 'The second is like it, 'You shall **love** your neighbor as yourself.'

On these two commandments **depend the whole Law and the Prophets**"

Romans 13:8-10

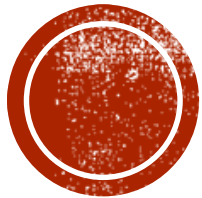
Owe nothing to anyone except to **love** one another; for he who **loves** his neighbor has **fulfilled the law**. 9 For this, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, it is **summed up** in this saying, "You shall **love** your neighbor as yourself." 10 **Love** does no wrong to a neighbor; **love therefore is the fulfillment of the law**"



LOVE IS LEARNED

'love therefore is the fulfillment of the law'





Learning Love

Galatians 5:14

For the **whole Law** is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, "You shall **love** your neighbor"

	Exodus 20		Purpose
1.	No other Gods before Me		Matthew 22:37,38 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."
2.	No graven images		
3.	Not to take God's name in vain		
4.	Keep the Sabbath day holy		
5.	Honor father and mother		Matthew 22:39 The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
6.	Not to murder		
7.	Not to commit adultery		
8.	Not to steal		
9.	Not to lie (false witness)		
10.	Not to covet		

GOD'S COMMANDMENTS

All of God's **commandments** are an expression of His love and are the only standard of what is in our best interest.



"If you love Me,
you will keep My commandments." John 14:15



5.

LOVE IS **LIVED** BY HEEDING GOD'S WORD IN ALL THINGS

John 14:21

"He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who **loves** Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him."

1 John 2:4,5

The one who says, "I have come to know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a **liar**, and the truth is not in him; 5 but whoever **keeps His word**, in him the love of God has truly been perfected. By this we know that we are in Him:

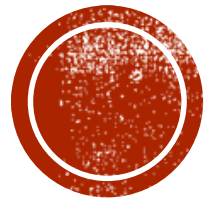
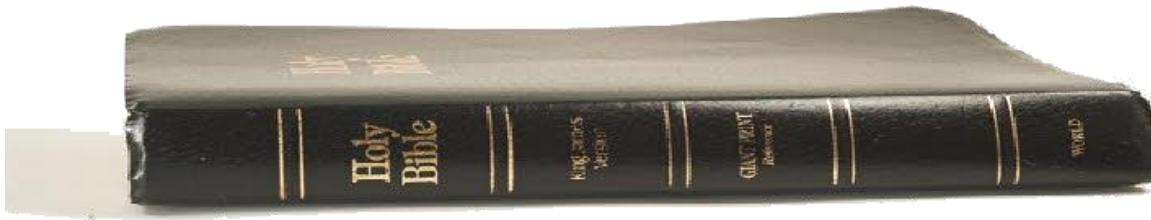


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EXAMPLES

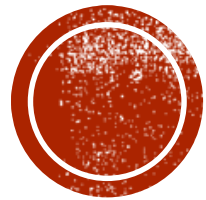
- **Assemble**, Hebrews 10:25
- **Put on the New Man**, Ephesians 4:17-5:6
- Any current controversial issue:
“Why? It’s not hurting anyone!” Yes it is.



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