

1 JOHN 3:10-18

THE LIFE OF LOVE -

START

CHRISTIANITY IS LOVE

LOVE IS "WORKS"

OR

IS PROVED BY "ITS WORK"

(James says)
SHOW ME -

IN THIS PASSAGE OF SCRIPTURE - (10-18)

JOHN SPEAKS OF "LOVE" AGAIN - IN (VS 1)

"BEHOLD" "LOVE" (ITS "PRESENCE")
(WITHIN US) SACRIFICE OF GOD &

① PRESENCE OF GOD WITHIN US -

"HERE" ITS SEEN AS "PRACTICAL"

② - WHAT LOVE "PRACTICES" "THROUGH US" -

(COL 2:6) "AS YE HAVE RECEIVED CHRIST JESUS,
SO WALK YE IN HIM" -

(VS 18) "KEY VERSE" WHICH SUMS THIS TEXT UP -
NOT JUST TALK - BUT "ACTION" -

LOOK AT: (EZEK 33:31)

"SO THEY COME TO YOU AS PEOPLE DO - THEY SIT
BEFORE YOU AS MY PEOPLE - AND THEY HEAR
YOUR WORDS - BUT THEY DO NOT DO THEM: - - -

"FOR WITH THEIR MOUTH THEY SHOW MUCH LOVE
"BUT" THEIR HEARTS PURSUE THEIR OWN GAIN"

JOHN SEPARATES AS:

① CHILDREN OF GOD -

② CHILDREN OF THE DEVIL -

LOVE

HATE

- 2 POWER FORCES -

THE LOVE LIFE

I] ITS ATTRIBUTES -

THE HIGHEST POINT OF THE CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE - (LOVE ONE ANOTHER) ①

① THIS LOVE PROCLAIMS -

"A SPIRITUAL & GODLIKE AFFECTION"

~ A GOD LIKENESS ~ PRESENT +
EXPRESSED IN US -

② THIS LOVE PROVES - (GOD IN US)

"LOVE" "AGAPA" ONE ANOTHER

See no offence ~ ~ ~ (FORGIVE US FORGIVEN)

JESUS SAID: BY THIS SHALL ALL MEN
KNOW THAT YE ARE MY DISCIPLES"

③ THIS LOVE PRODUCES - (RIGHTEOUSNESS)

1.5.10 "NO RIGHTEOUSNESS" "NO GOD"

THAT IS:

PRACTICE RIGHTEOUSNESS ~ ~ NOT ABLE TO
"BE" PERFECTLY RIGHTEOUS ~ [THAT ONLY JESUS]

THIS DEFINES:

~ THE HABIT & RULE OF THE "CHRISTIAN"

"LIFE" ~ A POSITIVE & PERPETUAL
"CHARACTERISTIC OF LIFE" ~

LOVE LIFE

II] ITS AUTHENTICITY -

"PROVEN"

(A) BY THE WORLD'S REACTION - (B)

"THEY HATE YOU"

"BECAUSE YOU ARE SEPERATE FROM THEM"
- "BY" YOUR IDENTITY WITH CHRIST -

(B) BY THE WORLD'S RESPONSE -

WHY WAS JESUS PUT TO DEATH?

THE WORLD HATED HIM -- WHY -- "WHAT
DID JESUS DO? - "GOOD"

(1) HE NEVER DID ANYTHING WRONG -

(2) HE NEVER COMMITTED ANY SIN -

"IF"

- THE DOWN HEARTED CAME TO HIM -- HE
GAVE THEM "AN ENCOURAGING WORD" -

"IF"

- THE SICK & CRIPPLED CAME TO HIM -- HE
HEALED & THEY WALKED AGAIN -

"IF"

THEY LISTEN TO HIS MESSAGE -- THEY
WOULD KNOW THE WAY TO LIFE --
"ABUNDANTLY"

(C) SO WITH US -

BE LIKE HIM -- BUT -- THE
"WORLD WILL HATE YOU"

THIS BRINGS US TO -- LOVE LIFE

III] ITS ANCESTOR Y -

"WHOS CHILDREN WE ARE" - "NATURE
IS PROVEN BY OUR ACTIONS - OR
WHAT WE PRACTICE !!!

(A) A GODLIKE NATURE - "ABEL"
"TOUCHED BY GOD" - A CHILD
- HIS WORKS WERE RIGHTEOUS -

(U.S.T)

- HE WHO PRACTICES RIGHTEOUSNESS
IS RIGHTEOUS - (LIKE CHRIST)

(B) A DEVIL LIKE NATURE - (CAIN)

"A CHILD OF THE DEVIL" (12)

"WAS OF THE WICKED ONE" -

[WHAT LOVE CANNOT BE] !!!

[CAIN]

① HAD SAME MOTHER + FATHER AS ABEL -

② CAIN = OF THE WICKED ONE -

ABEL = OF GOD

[CAIN]

- THE LEADER OF A RACE THAT FOLLOWED
THE SINFUL HUMAN NATURE -

HERE GIVEN AS AN EXAMPLE OF:
WHAT LOVE CANNOT BE:

ALL PEOPLE FALL INTO TWO CATEGORIES:

(1210)

FAMILY OF GOD & CHILDREN OF GOD

~ IN ATTITUDE & ACTION ~

THE WICKED ONE & CHILDREN OF

~ IN ATTITUDE & ACTION ~

1] WHAT DID CAIN DO - (KILLED HIS BROTHER)

(1212) "TO SLAY BY VIOLENCE" (GEN 4:8)

CAIN BECAME THE FIRST TO BEGIN WHAT
THE WORLD WOULD BE - [THROUGH TIME]

"A MURDER" - BUT - IT DID NOT HAVE TO
BE: (GEN 4:7) ~~AND~~ GOD SAID:

"IF YOU DO WELL, WILL YOU NOT BE
ACCEPTED? IF YOU DO NOT WELL, SIN
LIES AT THE DOOR - ITS DESIRE IS
FOR YOU - BUT YOU SHOULD RULE
OVER IT" -

CHILD OF A MURDER - "SATAN"

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II] WHY DID CAIN DO IT? (12)

- HIS WORKS WERE EVIL & HIS BROTHERS
WERE RIGHTEOUS -

- A DISAGREEMENT ABOUT RELIGION -

(A) CHAVIST IS THE ONLY WAY - "SHED BLOOD"
"ABEL OFFERED ANIMAL SACRIFICE"

(B) CAIN MADE UP HIS OWN RELIGION -
"FRUIT OF THE GROUND"
I GO TO HEAVEN BY WHAT I DO :

--- A CHAVIST MEMBER & ATTENDEE -- LIVE
A GOOD LIFE ---

III] WHAT DID CAIN LACK - "LOVE"

"LOVE CANNOT BE WHERE" THERE IS :

"MALICE & HATRED IN THE HEART"

[1 COR 13] LOVE :

SUFFERS LONG, IS KIND, DOES NOT ENVY,
DOES NOT EXHALT ITSELF, NOT RUDE, NOT EASY
PROVOKED, NEVER THINKS EVIL, ---

BEARS, BELIEVES, HOPES, ENDURES ---
ALL THINGS -

"THESE ARE NOT CAIN LIKE TRAITS"

1 JOHN 3:18-24

- THE BENEFITS OF LOVE -

1 JOHN IS ADDRESSING GOD AS:

LIGHT, LIFE, LOVE -- HERE NOTICE:

2. "WE KNOW" 1 = LOVE (18) 1 = SPIRIT (24)
"SO"

"IF WE ARE HOLY SPIRIT LEAD & LOVE GOD,"
"AND" "ONE ANOTHER"

(VS 18) LOVE:

DEED = "TO WORK" TO WORK OUT -- TO
BRING ABOUT SOMETHING "THAT IS"
THAT STRENGTHENS "CHURCH FELLOWSHIP"

TRUTH = "REAL OR GENUINE" THAT GOD IS
"TRUE IN HIS UTTERANCES" "CANNOT LIE"
HERE: "SINCERITY" & "INTEGRITY OF --"
CHARACTER = "LIVING THE GOSPEL"

(VS 24) SPIRIT:

GIVEN TO US; AT SALVATION -- "IN US"

AT SANTIFICATION "THROUGH US"

ABIDES WITH US:

① BEARS WITNESS OF OUR RELATIONSHIP
WITH GOD & MAN --

② EMPOWERS US -- TO LIVE THE LIFE OF
HOLINESS --

BECAUSE WE KNOW - THERE ARE BENEFITS!
A SO NOTICE!

— THE BENEFITS OF THE LOVE LIFE —

I] AN ASSURED PEACE - (19)
"IN OUR HEARTS" "OUR BIRTHRIGHT"
ASSURED HEARTS - A "TRANQUILITY" &
"CALMNESS" AS A "LIFESTYLE" -
"HEART"

MENTIONED 3 TIMES IN 4 VS. (19-21)

THE "HEART TEST" - "GREAT ASSURANCE"

NOT OTHERS HEARTS - WE DON'T KNOW THEIR HEART
BUT

LET US BE "THOROUGH" IN TESTING OURS =
IN (19-19)

THIS IS DONE BY THE "POSSESSION" AND
"PRACTICE" OF A:
"LOVING CHRISTIAN SPIRIT"
WITH AN

"ASSURED" PEACE AT ALL TIMES"

NOTICE - THE HEART EXPRESSION
HERE IN 1 JOHN 3

① A CONDEMNING HEART - (20)

CONDEMN = IF OUR HEART BLAMES US,
FINDS FAULT WITH US, PUTS US DOWN -

① DON'T ALLOW YOUR FAILURES TO BRING
"CONDEMNATION" TO YOUR HEART -

② GOD IS AWARE OF YOUR FAILURES &
HAS MADE PROVISION FOR THEM -

③ GOD IS ABOUT CORRECTION - SATAN
IS ABOUT CONDEMNING -

"GOD UNDERSTANDS" & "UNDERTAKES" -

② A CONFIDENT HEART - (20)

"GOD IS MERCIFUL TO US IN SPITE OF
OUR SIN" -

① LOOK NOT TO THE GREATNESS OF OUR
SIN -- BUT -- TO THE GREATNESS OF
HIS MERCY, GRACE & CLEANSING -

② WE HAVE CONFIDENCE TOWARD GOD --
BECAUSE -- WE ARE RESTING IN
A GOD --

"WHO IS GREATER THAN OUR SIN"
= = = = =

ASSURED OF
C) A COMFORTED HEART - (20)
"HE KNOWETH ALL THINGS"
"YET" "HE LOVES US"
THIS IS "PEACE OF HEART"
"ASSURED"

THE BENEFIT OF:

II] ANSWERED PRAYER - (22)

A) THE BASIS - (KEEP HIS COMMANDMENT)

- THE THINGS WE GET FROM GOD - AFTER
OUR CONVERSION - ARE CONDITIONED
BY OUR OBEDIENCE:

OBEDIENCE TO: (22-23)

① OUR NEW NATURE -

- "A DESIRE TO KEEP HIS COMMANDMENT -

"LIVE PLEASING IN HIS SIGHT" -

② OUR REQUIREMENT - FOR ANSWERED PRAYER

① FAITH - "IN JESUS NAME"

② LOVE - BE RIGHT WITH BROTHER

③ THE BLESSING - (WHATEVER WE ASK - - WE RECEIVE)

① BE DELIBERATE -

(MATT 7:7) ASK - SEEK - KNOCK

(JAMES 4:2) (YOU HAVE NOT BECAUSE YOU ASK NOT)

"COME BOLDLY TO THE THRONE OF GRACE"

(HEB 4:16) TO OBTAIN MERCY + FIND HELP - -
IN TIME OF NEED -

(HAB 2:19) "BOLDNESS TO ENTER" - "BY THE BLOOD"

- WE OUR PRIESTS - WITH HIS BLOOD -

② BE DEFINITE -

(PS 103:3) FORGIVENESS + HEALING -

(3 JOHN 2) HEALTH + PROSPERITY - BODY + SOUL -

③ BE DECISIVE -

"SPIRIT LED" - "GOD'S WILL + PURPOSE"
"FOR"

"WE ARE STANDING BETWEEN 'CONVERSION'
AND HEAVEN" - FOR GOD'S PURPOSE

LET HIS:
"LOVE" "POWER" AND "HEALING" FLOW?

IN SPITE OF OUR WEAKNESS + SIN -

THE BENEFIT OF:

III AN ABIDING PRESENCE - (24)
"HOLY SPIRIT" "GIVEN US"

(A) A CONSTANT FELLOWSHIP - (24)

"dwelleth + abideth with us"

- PRESENCE & PRESERVATION OF GOD -

(B) A CONTINUOUS FLOW -

① AS A SEED - (vs 9) (DWELLETH IN US)

"OUR SOURCE FOR MINISTRY"

② THAT GROWS INTO RIGHTEOUSNESS - (2:29)

BORN OF & THROUGH HIM

③ THAT PURIFIES US LIKE JESUS - (3)

(C) A CONFIDENT FUTURE - (18)

"MY LITTLE CHILDREN"

ADOPTED: (ROM 8:15-16)

"SPIRIT OF ADOPTION" - A SPIRIT

"BEARING WITNESS WITH OUR SPIRIT"

"WE ARE CHILDREN"

"OUR SPIRIT + HOLY SPIRIT" "MINGLED"
"STOP" "MIXED" "COMBINED AS ONE" (SAME DNA)