

## Love God

**Deuteronomy 6:5-And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.** (KJV)

Loving the Lord God completely is well-rooted in the Church's Scriptural history. Completely loving God with all the heart, might and soul is a daily challenge.

Temptations and diversions in life require the believer to always be very vigilant. Keeping the Lord first and foremost in the mind, heart and soul requires discipline.

All within the self that is not of God is to be expelled and avoided in daily life.

Evil can be disguised as good and is very perilous for the inattentive believer.

**Nehemiah 1:5-And said, I beseech thee, O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments:** (KJV)

Lovers of God and observers of God's commandments are always known to God.

A believer has a clear conscience when loving God and observing commandments.

Freedom is experienced when the believer willingly loves and follows the Lord God.

The believer is energized and inspired when loving and adhering to God's ways.

Fear dissipates when God is fully loved and God's ways are willingly embraced.

Joy readily fills the hearts and minds of believers loving the Lord God completely.

Constant effort is necessary for the believer to fully and earnestly love the Lord.

**Daniel 9:4-And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments;** (KJV)

Repentance facilitates turning to the Lord with love and beseeching great mercy.

Confession involves repudiating sin and expressing deep-rooted love for the Lord.

Placing faith and confidence in God is simultaneous with firmly loving the Lord.

Believers learn from personal experience the merits of completely loving God.

God's goodness and mercy abound when a person demonstrates love for the Lord.

The person's soul is at its very best when filled completely with love for the Lord.

**Micah 6:8-He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?** (KJV)

Daily personal behavior will reveal the extent a person truly loves the Lord God.

Believers are challenged to be united with the Lord God throughout all of life.

The challenge is to ensure that nothing separates the believer from loving God.

Care must be exercised so subtle temptations do not lead to peril for the soul.

Evil exists in society and daily life to undermine the believer's love of God.

Frustrations and evils in daily life test a person's strength of faith and love.

Believers have the ability to love God completely with body, mind and soul.

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