

Love As Jesus Would Have Us To Love

Matthew 5:44- But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; (KJV)

The Lord Jesus Christ's known teachings are contained in the Holy Gospel. Believers do well to study the Gospel and make the teachings a part of daily life. Following Jesus Christ's teachings leads the believer to the Heavenly Kingdom. Seeking the Kingdom of God and eternal life are primary Christian goals.

At Baptism believers embark on the journey to God's Kingdom and eternal life.

Mark 12:30-And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. (KJV)

Jesus Christ taught the definitive value of the love of God and love of neighbor.

The Gospel contains many references to Jesus Christ's teachings on love.

Believers are challenged throughout life for love to be essential in relationships.

Christ teaches love as essential not only through words but also by His Example.

Christ taught love is best expressed by believers' personal actions each day.

Mark 12:31-And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these. (KJV)

Relationships manifesting Jesus Christ's love in the heart becomes evident.

Actions rooted in Jesus Christ's love shine through the darkness in daily life.

Love of God and love of neighbor foster growth in personal relationships.

The compatibility of love of God and love of neighbor is clear in the Gospel.

Jesus Christ teaches it is entirely possible to completely love God and neighbor.

Luke 6:35-But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. (KJV)

Jesus Christ not only spoke about love, He showed how to love by His actions.

Believers are challenged throughout life to demonstrate love of God and neighbor.

Actions serve as the proof that believers are following Jesus Christ's teachings.

Praying to Jesus Christ helps believers achieve the love described in the Gospel.

Loving enemies and difficult people are challenges for believers to fully address.

John 13:34-A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. (KJV)

Jesus Christ established the highest standards of love for believers to accomplish.

Achieving the highest standards of love occurs only with complete love of Christ.

Christ's help and strength are necessary to achieve love in all relationships.

Every moment is an opportunity to reach out to Christ for help in relationships.

Completely loving God and neighbor result from sound heartfelt decisions.

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