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"In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. 10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. 12 No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. 13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit." 1 JOHN 4:9–13

INTRODUCTION

"He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." 1 JOHN 4:8

THE OF LOVE

A.

Definition: "manifested"—to make visible or known what has been hidden or unknown

INDIVIDUAL LOVE

"We love him, because he first loved us." 1 JOHN 4:19

SACRIFICIAL LOVE

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." **ROMANS 5:8**

"And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest," **GENESIS 22:2**

"By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son," **HEBREWS 11:17**

Quote: "'The Only Begotten Son' tells of our blessed Lord in the past eternity as one Person of the adorable Trinity in eternal relation with the Father. Others are sons by creation, as Adam was, and as angels are, or by new birth, as believers are, but He alone is the unique Son."—Harry Ironside

"Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." **1 JOHN 3:16**

"He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?" **ROMANS 8:32**

B.

"And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life." **1 JOHN 5:20**



_____ OF LOVE

A. In _____

INITIATED BY GOD

"We love him, because he first loved us." 1 JOHN 4:19

PERSONALIZED BY GOD

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." **JOHN 1:14**

B. In _____

Definition: "propitiation"—an appeasing, the means of appeasing, a satisfactory payment

Quote: "Resentment is careful to keep books. Love keeps no books."

"Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins." **JAMES 5:20**

A UNIVERSAL PROVISION

"And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." **1 JOHN 2:2**

A RIGHTEOUS PROVISION

"Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: 25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; 26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus." **ROMANS 3:24–26**



OF LOVE

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." **EPHESIANS 2:10**

A. The ___

HIS EXAMPLE

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." **JOHN 15:13**

HIS COMMAND

"And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: **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. **31** And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these." **MARK 12:29–31**

B. The _____

LOVE PERFECTED

Definition: "perfected"—to make perfect or complete, to bring to a purposed goal or end result

LOVE PRACTICED

"Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;" **EPHESIANS 5:25**

"By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." **JOHN 13:35**

"Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:" **1 PETER 1:22**

CONCLUSION

