

God IS Love

“The one who doesn’t love has yet to know God, for God is love. The light of God’s love shined within us when he sent his matchless Son into the world so that we might live through him. This is love: He loved us long before we loved him. It was his love, not ours. He proved it by sending his Son to be the pleasing sacrificial offering to take away our sins.”

-John the Apostle

1 John 4:8-10 TPT

If there was only one thing that I have learned from reading the Bible it would be that Love is the answer, and it doesn’t matter what the question is....

“Above all, constantly echo God’s intense love for one another, for love will be a canopy over a multitude of sins.”

1 Peter 4:8 TPT

And If there is one thing that this world needs right now it’s that Love. I mean “Real Love”, the kind the Bible talks about...

“Look with wonder at the depth of the Father’s marvelous love that he has lavished on us! He has called us and made us his very own beloved children. The reason the world doesn’t recognize who we are is that they didn’t recognize him.”

1 John 3:1 TPT

Seems like now, more than ever, there is so much hatred in the world. I feel like everyone has a point to prove and they’re doing it at the expense of others...

“With tender humility and quiet patience, always demonstrate gentleness and generous love toward one another, especially toward those who may try your patience.”

Ephesians 4:2 TPT

It feels like we live in a self centered society where everyone wants to know

“What’s in it for me?”....

“This is how we have discovered love’s reality: Jesus sacrificed his life for us. Because of this great love, we should be willing to lay down our lives for one another. If anyone sees a fellow believer in need and has the means to help him, yet shows no pity and closes his heart against him, how is it even possible that God’s love lives in him?”

1 John 3:16-17 TPT

It feels like much of the healing traits of Love the Bible talks about are hard to find and a rare commodity these days....

“Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous, it does not brag, and it is not proud. Love is not rude, is not selfish, and does not get upset with others. Love does not count up wrongs that have been done. Love takes no pleasure in evil but rejoices over the truth. Love patiently accepts all things. It always trusts, always hopes, and always endures.”

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 NCV

It seems that true selfless Love that Jesus proclaims we should possess doesn't exist as much anymore. People seem to ask less what they can do for others and more of what have you done for me lately?...

"For the greatest love of all is a love that sacrifices all. And this great love is demonstrated when a person sacrifices his life for his friends."

John 15:13 TPT

The kind of Love that Jesus teaches is truly different than earthly love. Jesus' Love goes above and beyond regular love of this world...

"But love your enemies and continue to treat them well. When you lend money, don't despair if you are never paid back, for it is not lost. You will receive a rich reward and you will be known as true children of the Most High God, having his same nature. For your Father is famous for his kindness to heal even the thankless and cruel."

Luke 6:35 TPT

The Love that God has shown to us is incomparable, and an example of what Real Love truly is....

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16 ESV

Jesus came to earth to "show us" what Love really means and to reveal to us that God IS Love, and teach us how to Love...

"Jesus said, 'Love the Lord your God with all your passion and prayer and intelligence.' This is the most important, the first on any list. But there is a second to set alongside it: 'Love others as well as you love yourself.' These two commands are pegs; everything in God's Law and the Prophets hangs from them."

Matthew 22:37-40 MSG

I truly believe that Jesus Love can heal this world, what we need now more than ever is for all Christians around the world to unite in the Love of Jesus and show the world that God is Love...

"For when you demonstrate the same love I have for you by loving one another, everyone will know that you're my true followers."

John 13:35 TPT

My prayer for us today is that we always display that Special Love that lives inside us. May we represent Jesus here on earth so well that everyone around the world will see that Love IS the answer to every question and that God IS that LOVE!

"So, chosen by God for this new life of love, dress in the wardrobe God picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, discipline. Be even-tempered, content with second place, quick to forgive an offense. Forgive as quickly and completely as the Master forgave you. And regardless of what else you put on, wear love. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. Never be without it."

Colossians 3:12-14 MSG

Amen