

Can you be the one who says: I am the one who has been forgiven much who loves much?

Luke 7:46-48 (N.I.V.)

⁴⁶You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet.

⁴⁷Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little."

⁴⁸Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

Colossians 3:8-10 (N.I.V.) But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.

Colossians 3:12 (N.I.V.) Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity

The greatest of these is love:

Why? Is it because it is the most perfect thing to do?

Galatians 5:6 (N.I.V.)

⁶For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value.

The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

Love is a transforming power

1 Corinthians 15:10 (N.I.V.) by the grace of God I am what I am and His grace to me was not without effect.

Luke 6:27 (N.I.V.)

²⁷"But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,

Romans 13:8 (N.I.V.)

⁸Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law.

Matthew 22:36-40 (N.I.V.)

Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law? Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: "Love your neighbour as yourself". All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments

Philippians 2:5 (N.I.V.)

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus...

And The Greatest Of These Is Love

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1 Corinthians 13:13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

The ever popular "Love chapter" in the New Testament actually starts off with warnings.

The term "love" that is used in the Love Chapter is the Greek word called "agape" – signifying the characteristics and essence of God's love.

What... we will be fully known by them is our faith, hope and love in Christ.

1 Corinthians 13:12 Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

The Gifter in whom we have faith in:

Galatians 2:16 (C.E.V.)

¹⁶But we know that God accepts only those who have faith in Jesus Christ. No one can please God by simply obeying the Law. So we put our faith in Christ Jesus, and God accepted us because of our faith

Romans 10:9 (Amplified Bible)

⁹Because if you acknowledge and confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and in your heart believe (adhere to, trust in, and rely on the truth) that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

We will be known by our steadfast faith in God's Word

Colossians 2:6-7 (N.I.V.)

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. ⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ.

We will be fully known by our hope

1 Peter 1:3-4 (N.I.V.)

³Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus

Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you

Hope: Figuratively it is a place of refuge, shelter; which are words that describe God: **Psalm 91**¹ He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. ² I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

We will be fully known by our hope in the promises of God:

Hebrews 10:19-23 (N.I.V.)

¹⁹Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Romans 8:24-25 (N.I.V.)

But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what he already has? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

Psalm 42:5(N.I.V.)

⁵ Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and ⁶ my God.

We will be fully known by our love:

Corinthians 13:13 (N.I.V.)

¹³And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

1 John 4:16 (N.I.V.)

And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. **God is love.** Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him.

And the greatest of these is love:

Romans 5:8 (New International Version)

⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 3:22-24 (N.I.V.)

²²This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

His love is so eternal, ever so powerful that even death itself can not stand against it. Nothing can remove it.

Romans 8:37-39 (N.I.V.)

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And if we, being born of the Spirit, as His sons & daughters have His Spirit living within us then we have also the ability to express His Agape Love.

John 3:4-6 (N.I.V.)

⁴"How can a man be born when he is old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely he cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb to be born!"

⁵Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. ⁶Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.

Is it easier to just simply say or think that we Love God?

1 John 4:10-11 ¹⁰This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.....

We are to be a people fully known by the greatest virtue -Love

1 John 4:19-20 (New International Version) ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen.

Ephesians 3: 17 (N.I.V.) ...being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ. And to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Issues In Life

2 Corinthians 3:17-18 (N.I.V.)

¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

Romans 15:1 (CE.V.)

¹If our faith is strong, we should be patient with the Lord's followers whose faith is weak. We should try to please them instead of ourselves.