

Love Begets Love

Foundation Scriptures.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he **gave** his only begotten Son, that whosoever **believeth** in him should not **perish**, but have **everlasting** life.

Loving Jesus initiates the Law of Perfect Love which never fails (1 John 4:18).

A. The Law of Genesis.

1. Gen 1:11 Everything produces after its own kind.
2. Ex 21:24 An eye for an eye.
3. Luke 6:38 Give and it shall be given unto you.
4. Gal 6:7 You reap what you sow.

B. How Much Does God love You?

1. We know that God's love for us is greater than any mother's love and we understand how ferociously a bear protects her cub. Does God do any less?
2. 1 John 4:8 He that loveth not, knoweth not God; for God is love.
3. Agape love is unconditional love. It is a giving love, giving without expecting anything back. Agape love is the action and the decision to act in love.
4. God has made the decision to help those in His family so you and God are always a majority, unless you choose to side with the devil.

C. The Unfolding of God's Love.

1. God first loved us, so we could love Him
2. We have the love with which to love God because He shed His love abroad in our hearts.
3. We have the faith to love God because God gave us the measure of faith.
4. We know how to love God because He told us that we love Him when we keep His commandments, and He gave us the faith to do so. John 14:21 He that has my commandments, and keeps them, he it is that loveth me.

D. How Do We Use this Knowledge of God's Love?

1. God gave His righteousness to us.
2 Cor 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.
2. We should give our righteousness back to Him as holiness.
Rom 6:19... now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.
3. We can live in righteousness and holiness because God has already provided them for us through Jesus.
Heb 10:14 by one sacrifice, we have been perfected and sanctified by Jesus.
4. Because we love God, we live in holiness by keeping sin out of our minds.
1 Cor 2:16 We can do this because God gave us the Mind of Christ (MOC).
Aff: In the NOJ, I let nothing into my mind which does not belong in the MOC.
2 Cor 10:5 Cast down imaginations, Mt 18:18 Bind DDEs, Mk 16:17 c/o DDES.