

Valentines Day Bible

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I. Christian Love

A. Christian's love towards God

1. First Commandment (Matthew 22:37,38)

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment.

2. With all the heart (Matthew 22:37)

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

3. Obedience (1 John 2:3)

And hereby we do know that we know Him, if we keep his commandments.

4. Gives Boldness (1 John 4:17-19)

Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. We love him, because he first loved us.

5. More important than ritual (Mark 12:31-33)

And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these. And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but He: And to love Him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love his neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.

I. Christian Love (Cont'd)

B. Christian's love toward Christ

1. Sign of true faith (John 8:42)

Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love Me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of Myself, but He sent Me.

2. Manifested in obedience (John 14:15,21,23)

If ye love Me, keep My commandments ... He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him ... Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love Me, he will keep My words: and My Father will love him, and We will come unto him, and make Our abode with him.

3. Leads to service (2 Corinthians 5:14)

For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:

C. Christian's love toward Others

1. Second commandment (Matthew 22:37-39)

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

2. Commanded by Christ (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.

3. Set forth in detail (1 Corinthians 13:1-13)

II. Christians love not

A. Vanity (Psalm 4:2)

O ye sons of men, how long will ye turn my glory into shame? how long will ye love vanity, and seek after leasing? Selah.

B. Sinners (Proverbs 1:10-19)

My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause: Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit: We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse: My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path: For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood. Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird. And they lay wait for their own blood; they lurk privily for their own lives. So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; which taketh away the life of the owners thereof.

C. Praise of men (John 12:42,43)

Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on Him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess Him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

D. Money (1 Timothy 6:10)

For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

III. The love of Christ

A. Objects of Christ's love

1. Father (John 14:31)

But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave Me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

2. Believers (Galatians 2:20)

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me.

3. Church (Ephesians 5:2, 25)

And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour ... Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it

B. Christ's love described as

1. Knowing (Ephesians 3:19)

And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

2. Personal (Galatians 2:20)

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me.

3. Conquering (Romans 8:37)

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us

4. Unbreakable (Romans 8:35)

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

5. Intimate (John 14:21)

He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him.

6. Imitative (1 John 3:16)

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.

7. Like the Father's (John 15:9)

As the Father hath loved Me, so have I loved you: continue ye in My love.

8. Sacrificial (Galatians 2:20)

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me.

C. Expressions of Christ's love

1. In taking our nature (Hebrews 2:15-18)

And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. For verily He took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham. Wherefore in all things it behoved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succour them that are tempted.

2. In dying for us (John 15:13)

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

IV. The love of God

A. Objects of God's love

1. Christ (John 3:35)

The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into His hand.

2. Christians (2 Thessalonians 2:16)

Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

3. World (Titus 3:4)

But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared,

4. Cheerful giver (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

B. God's love described as

1. Great (Ephesians 2:4)

But God, who is rich in mercy, for His great love wherewith He loved us

2. Everlasting (Jeremiah 31:3)

The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee

3. Sacrificial (Romans 5:8)

But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us

C. God's love seen in believers'

1. Obedience (1 John 2:5)

But whoso keepeth His word, in Him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in Him

2. Regeneration (Ephesians 2:4,5)

But God, who is rich in mercy, for His great love wherewith He loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

3. Love (1 John 4:7-12)

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. 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. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His love is perfected in us.

4. Faith (1 John 4:16)

And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him

5. Security (2 Thessalonians 3:5)

And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ.

6. Daily life (1 John 2:15-17)

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

7. Hearts (Romans 5:5)

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

8. Sanctification (1 John 4:18-21)

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. We love him, because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

9. Glorification (1 John 3:1,2)

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

V. Sexual Love (older students & parents)

A. Isaac and Rebekah (Gen. 24:67)

B. Jacob and Rachel (Gen. 29:11-30)

C. Boaz and Ruth (Ruth 2:4-23)

D. Samson and Delilah (Judges 16:4,15)



There are, approximately, 281 verses that have the word "love" in the King James (Authorized) Bible. However, it must be stated that it can be very easy to take words out of context which is why many do NOT recommend word studies in the Bible. Therefore, we recommend that you read the entire chapter.

Closely associated with LOVE is LOYALTY

Loyalty: Fidelity to a person or cause

I. Kinds of loyalty

A. People (Acts 25:7-11)

And when he was come, the Jews which came down from Jerusalem stood round about, and laid many and grievous complaints against Paul, which they could not prove. While he answered for himself, Neither against the law of the Jews, neither against the temple, nor yet against Caesar, have I offended any thing at all. But Festus, willing to do the Jews a pleasure, answered Paul, and said, Wilt thou go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me? Then said Paul, I stand at Caesar's judgment seat, where I ought to be judged: to the Jews have I done no wrong, as thou very well knowest. For if I be an offender, or have committed any thing worthy of death, I refuse not to die: but if there be none of these things whereof these accuse me, no man may deliver me unto them. I appeal unto Caesar.

B. Relatives (Esther 2:21-23)

In those days, while Mordecai sat in the king's gate, two of the king's chamberlains, Bigthan and Teresh, of those which kept the door, were wroth, and sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus. And the thing was known to Mordecai, who told it unto Esther the queen; and Esther certified the king thereof in Mordecai's name. And when inquisition was made of the matter, it was found out; therefore they were both hanged on a tree: and it was written in the book of the chronicles before the king.

C. King (1 Samuel 24:6-10)

And he said unto his men, The LORD forbid that I should do this thing unto my master, the LORD'S anointed, to stretch forth mine hand against him, seeing he is the anointed of the LORD. So David stayed his servants with these words, and suffered them not to rise against Saul. But Saul rose up out of the cave, and went on his way. David also arose afterward, and went out of the cave, and cried after Saul, saying, My lord the king. And when Saul looked behind him, David stooped with his face to the earth, and bowed himself. And David said to Saul, Wherefore hearest thou men's words, saying, Behold, David seeketh thy hurt? Behold, this day thine eyes have seen how that the LORD had delivered thee to day into mine hand in the cave: and some bade me kill thee: but mine eye spared thee; and I said, I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he is the LORD'S anointed.

Closely associated with LOVE is LOYALTY (cont'd)

D. Cause (2 Samuel 11:9-11)

But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house. And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto his house, David said unto Uriah, Camest thou not from thy journey? why then didst thou not go down unto thine house? And Uriah said unto David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in tents; and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open fields; shall I then go into mine house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? as thou livest, and as thy soul liveth, I will not do this thing.

E. Oath (2 Samuel 21:7)

But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, because of the LORD'S oath that was between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul.

II. Signs of loyalty

A. General obedience (Romans 13:1,2)

Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

B. Prayer for rulers (Ezra 6:10)

That they may offer sacrifices of sweet savours unto the God of heaven, and pray for the life of the king, and of his sons.

C. Hatred of disloyalty (Joshua 22:9-20)