

PLAYMAKERS IN THE FAITH

# Fruit of the Spirit Pt-1 Love

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Love



# 1st & Greatest!



36 Teacher, which [e]kind of commandment is great and important (the principal kind) in the Law? **[Some commandments are light—which are heavy?]**

37 And He replied to him, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind (intellect).

38 This is the **great (most important, principal) and first commandment.**

39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as [you do] yourself.

Matthew 22:36-39 AMPC

# Love Jesus more than family!

37 He who **loves** [and takes more  
pleasure in] **father or mother more  
than [in] Me is not worthy of Me**; and he  
who loves [and takes more pleasure in]  
son or daughter more than [in] Me is  
not worthy of Me;

Luke 11:42 AMPC

Love  
more





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22 BUT **THE FRUIT OF THE [HOLY] SPIRIT** [THE WORK WHICH HIS PRESENCE WITHIN ACCOMPLISHES] IS **LOVE**, JOY (GLADNESS), PEACE, PATIENCE (AN EVEN TEMPER, FORBEARANCE), KINDNESS, GOODNESS (BENEVOLENCE), FAITHFULNESS,  
23 GENTLENESS (MEEKNESS, HUMILITY), SELF-CONTROL (SELF-RESTRAINT, CONTINENCE). AGAINST SUCH THINGS THERE IS NO LAW [THAT CAN BRING A CHARGE].

**GALATIANS 5:22-23 AMPC**





# What is Love?

4 Love endures long and is patient and kind; love never is envious nor boils over with jealousy, is not boastful or vainglorious, does not display itself haughtily.

5 It is not conceited (arrogant and inflated with pride); it is not rude (unmannerly) and does not act unbecomingly. Love (God's love in us) does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking; it is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong].

6 It does not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness, but rejoices when right and truth prevail.

7 Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything [without weakening].

8 Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to an end]. As for prophecy ([d]the gift of interpreting the divine will and purpose), it will be fulfilled and pass away; as for tongues, they will be destroyed and cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away [it will lose its value and be superseded by truth].

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 AMPC

# How do we Love God?

2 By this we come to know (recognize and understand) that we love the children of God: **when we love God and obey His commands (orders, charges)—[when we keep His ordinances and are mindful of His precepts and His teaching].**

3 For the [true] love of God is this: that we do His **commands [keep His ordinances and are mindful of His precepts and teaching].** And these orders of His are not irksome (burdensome, oppressive, or grievous).

**1 John 5:2-3 AMPC**



# Greatest is Love

13 AND SO FAITH, HOPE, **LOVE ABIDE** [FAITH—  
CONVICTION AND BELIEF RESPECTING MAN'S RELATION  
TO GOD AND DIVINE THINGS; HOPE—JOYFUL AND  
CONFIDENT EXPECTATION OF ETERNAL SALVATION;  
LOVE—TRUE AFFECTION FOR GOD AND MAN, GROWING  
OUT OF GOD'S LOVE FOR AND IN US], THESE THREE; BUT  
**THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE.**  
**1 CORINTHIANS 13:13 AMPC**