

# QUESTIONS FROM CHRIST



What think ye of Christ?  
whose son is he?  
– Matthew 22:42



Lovest thou me?  
– John 21:17



Are not two sparrows sold for a  
farthing? and one of them shall not fall  
on the ground without your Father.  
– Matthew 10:29



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## Love Without Limits

### Matthew 5:43-48

*For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye?*

*And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others?*

*Do not even the publicans the same (so)?*

### LOVE DEFINED

- God \_\_\_\_\_ is the very definition of love - 1 John 4:8, 16. God and love are inseparable!
  - Love is sacrifice - Gen. 22:2 (*1<sup>st</sup> mention*); John 3:16; 1 John 4:9; Eph. 2:4-9; Rom 5:8.
  - "Love is NOT about what you can \_\_\_\_\_, but what you can \_\_\_\_\_ of yourself."
- God himself is the very source of love which is truly known only through Him - 1 John 4:7, 10, 19, 3:16.

### LOVE DILUTED

2 Tim. 3:1-4

1. Loving \_\_\_\_\_:
  - *Covetous* – strong desire for something.
  - *Boasters* – talking about yourself.
  - *Proud* – arrogant, haughty.
  - *Incontinent* – indulging lust without restraint, lewd.
  - *Heady* – hasty; violent; acting without thought or deliberation. Apt to affect the head (alcohol, drugs, etc.).
  - *Highminded* – elevated, lofty, noble, great.
  - *Lovers of pleasures* – constant feeding of the flesh.
2. No love for others:
  - *Blasphemers* – no love for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - *Disobedient to parents* – no love for authority, those who raised you (Rom. 1:30).
  - *Unthankful* – greedy, selfish.
  - *Unholy* – wicked.
  - *Without natural affection* – normal and abnormal relationships (Rom. 1:31).
  - *Trucebreakers, false accusers, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors* – always looking for a fight or reason to hate someone.

## LOVE DIRECTED

- 2 greatest commandments - Matt. 22:37-39.
  - Your "neighbour" in this context is \_\_\_\_\_ - Rom. 13:7-9; Luke 10:29-36.
- The Lord Jesus Christ makes a further distinction about loving your enemy:
  - Matt. 5:44 - Do the opposite of what your flesh tells you to do → Love, bless, do good, and \_\_\_\_\_!
  - Matt. 5:45 - God does NOT play favorites and neither should we.
- Do not love like the world loves. If you do, how will anyone notice a difference between you (Christian) and the \_\_\_\_\_? - Matt. 5:46-47.
  - We are not to be conformed to this world...we are DIFFERENT - Rom. 12:1-2, 14, 17-18.
- This is only made possible by the \_\_\_\_\_ within us - Rom 5:5; Gal. 5:22; 1 Thess 4:9-10.
- The power of loving your enemy - Rom. 12:20-21.
- Self check-up: 1 John 4:20-21.