

Love is of God. 1 John: 4:7-14.

Perhaps the most ancient belief that was held of God is, that God is power.

Scriptures tells us that God is Spirit, and God is light and by many other terms is He described but the short and best definition that has ever been given of God was written by John.

John was one of the 12, and the one who, perhaps knew his master best of all. John was continually praising his Lord but the most revealing and understanding thing he ever said about Deity was God is love, which means that everything God does is impelled by love.

While God's wisdom and power are self-evident and readily believed in by men. God's love required the + of labor, power and even the soul at rest.

to command it to men. men could not believe in the attribute of God's personality until they had the demonstration and proof of his love in the sacrifice of God's only Son for the sins of the world. God commandeth his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ, died for us.

Nothing short of the giving of God's Son to save us, would ever have convinced the world of God's love.

There is much in this world that is not lovely. Life is a struggle and a warfare from the smallest animal on up to the largest, and even man, with his intelligence and wisdom, is no exception.

The whole world is groaning and travailing in pain.

The problem of evil has never been satisfactorily solved. The question is persistently being asked is, How can God allow all this suffering and heartaches to go on. How is it that the innocent seem to suffer so often while the wicked are well and prosperous?

Even the most devout Christians find it hard to cling to their faith, in the presence of so much that is unlovable and revolting in this world. We might as well admit that the problem presents an insoluble mystery. But, in the face of this mystery, God shows us one that is even greater and which when it plumbs the depths of our hearts, negates the other and sets the soul at rest.

Beloved if God so loved us, we ought to love one another.

John says if we do not love our fellow men, we do not love God, the two go together, for he that loveth not knoweth not God. If any man say I love God and hate 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 comd. have we from him, that he who loveth God, love his brother also. If a man hates his brother, it is a sure sign that he is not converted. Love of God comes first then love of fellow men. The test to love God is to love man. Wealth, education, political power and social rank can be attained

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How can we claim to be Christians and hate this man.

Grateful for God's love, let us love our fellow men and help to usher in the kingdom of life and love that shall have no end.

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