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Goals For 2020
Theme
 A Church With 2020 Vision
Attendance: Sunday Bible Study: 40;
Sunday AM: 50
Sunday PM: 40; Wednesday Bible Study: 30

Giving: Meet Our Yearly Budget

Invitations: 130

Every Member Committed To Daily Bible Reading

Every Member Committed To Daily Prayer

Every Member Committed To Be At Every Service

Hold a "Bible Basics" Class
Hold A Men's Training Class

Hold One Gospel Meeting

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We are now in the 32nd week of our Bible Reading.

Prayer List
 Sharon Nale
 Les & Novema Dunn
 Debby Spears (Roseann's sis)
 Sharon Thompson
 The Wards
 Dale Kahl
 Beth McFarland
 Brooke Thomas

Love: John 13:34-35
 I Jn 4:7-8, I Cor. 13:1-7

Who Have You Invited To Services This week?

Lord's Supper Reading
 Is 53:3-6

Scripture Reading
 AM: I John 4:7-8
 PM: Gen. 3:15-19

Encouragement Tally
 Invites this month: 2
 Invites last month: 110
 Visitors last year: 48
 Visitors YTD: 8

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Bible Lovers

Welcome!
 If you're visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and we want you to feel like our honored guest! We also want you to know that all we're interested in here at the Clarksville Church of Christ is the Truth. Jesus said, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32. The truth He's talking about is God's word. Jesus said, "Sanctify them by thy truth, Thy word is truth." John 17:17. Therefore we hope you'll appreciate that we'll give you book, chapter and verse from the Bible, the word of God, for everything that we say or do here today, so that everything that we do may bring glory unto God, I Pet. 4:11.

Read I Jn 4:7-8. The Bible says that God is Love. It would make sense that His book would say an awful lot about lovers. Let's take a look at some things we should love and things we should not.

- I. Lovers of God**
 Matt 22:37, 2 Tim. 3:4, Rom 1:28, Jn 21:15, 14:15, Matt 10:37
- II. Lovers of Self**
 2 Tim 3:1-2, Jn 12:25, Lk 9:23
- III. Lovers of the World**
 1 Jn 2:15-17, 2 Tim. 4:10, Js. 4:4, Jn. 3:16, Matt 13:22
- IV. Lovers of Good**
 Titus 1:8, Phil. 4:8, Hb. 5:14, Rom 12:9
- V. Lovers of Darkness**
 1 Jn. 1:7, Jn. 3:19-20, Eph. 5:11
- VI. Lovers of Parents more than of God**
 Matt 10:37, Lk 14:26, Mk 10:29-30
- VII. Lovers of Truth**
 Jn 17:17, Ps 119:127, 2 Thes 2:10, Jn 12:48, Jn 14:15, 23

Garden Graces

Read Genesis 2:1-18. Grace is an undeserved gift. It speaks of the giver. From the very beginning of time we can see God's grace for His creation. Let's take a look at some evidences of this tonight.

I. Gave _____

Gen. 2:7; 1:26, Acts 17:28, Dan. 5:23

Jn 10:10

II. _____ Moral _____

Gen. 2:16-17; 13:8-9

III. Gave _____ Things To _____

Gen. 2:9, 16, I Tim. 6:17, Js 1:17

2 Sam. 12:7-8

IV. _____ All _____

Gen. 2:18, Matt. 6:31-33, Gen. 3:21

Acts 14:16-17

V. _____ For Our God

Gen. 3:19, Heb. 12:5-9

Gen. 6:5

VI. _____ That Which Was _____

Ps 3:8, Gen. 3:15, I Jn 3:18

Jn 3:16, I Jn 4:10, Jn 15:13

Rom. 5:8, Gal. 4:4-5, 2 Cor. 5:18

Love For Each Other/Love For Jesus

Christians are commanded in Scripture to "love one another" (1 John 4:7). This "love" is the Greek agape love that unconditionally and unselfishly sets others above self. Christians are also to continue in "brotherly love" (Heb. 13:1). This "love" is the Greek philadelphia love that emphasizes a tender affection to have for each other. But there is another love.

There is an interesting Greek word used in Romans 12:10. It is translated "kindly affectionate" (NKJV), "tenderly affectioned" (ASV), "devoted" (NASB) and "brotherly affection" (ESV). The Greek word, philostorgos, is a compound word combining philos, which means "friendly" and storge, which is the word used for "love of kindred" (i.e., love for family). Put that together and consider the implications—we are to have a tender and friendly love for each other as members of the same family.

Love above self. Love with tender affection. Love as a beloved family member. Got it?

It could be argued (rather successfully) that "love" is the grandest theme of the Bible! Jesus loved us SO much that He gave "Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God" (Eph. 5:2). That is love (1 John 3:16). In return, the Lord expects us to love Him! Do you love Jesus?

The Greek language had multiple words for "love." The highest form of love is "agape" love, which is an unconditional, unselfish love, which elevates the needs of another above our own. God had this love for us (John 3:16). We are to have this love for God (Matt. 22:37). The Greeks had another word for love, which was a "brotherly love." "Phileo" love is a tender, affectionate love, which is tied directly to the emotions. Now, which are we to have for Jesus?

The answer is both. Perhaps we think most often of having "agape" love for Jesus, but Paul said, "If anyone does not love (phileo) the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed" (1 Cor. 16:22). Do you have a tender, affectionate love toward Jesus, as your Brother?