## **LOVE- challenged**

2 Timothy 3:1-2 , 8-10 | Matthew 24: 2, 10 | Deuteronomy 6:4-5 | 2 Timothy 4: 1-4

Love of many will wax cold in the last days The one who loves God understands the sovereignty of God God wants all our heart soul and strength

Jesus told his disciples that because of how sin will be in the last days it will challenge the love of many and a lot of people will become cold.

Love in the Greek is the highest form of love - Agape Love - self sacrificing love

When Jesus called his disciples everyone of them when he called them they left every thing and followed after Jesus

And Jesus told those interested in following him - that the first thing you have to challenge yourself is the denial of Self.

If any man will follow me let him deny himself and follow me

We need to lay down our lives for others

Now we have replaced the love of God for our own interpretation of what God considers love for him,.

If we look carefully and see the increase in lawlessness and sin and our love for Jesus has become cold

Agape Love: refers to Love given by God and shaped by the spirit of christ

Faith Deliverance International Ministries Bible Class NOTES 2020-12-15 Ephesians 1:15, 3:14 -19 | Colossians 1:4 | John 14:15, 21 | John 15:10 | John 14:23 | Matthew 23: 1 | Rev. 2 : 1-7 | Romans 15:1 | 2 Corinthians 5:15 | Phillipians 2:21 | James 2:8 | Romans 5:5

Not about how much we talk about our love its how we believe and obey - those who obey are the ones who love Jesus

Sometimes its good to wonder why we have not received the revelation of the mysteries of god? - speaks to a lack of Love for Jesus

God Judged Sodom and Gomorrah - and the Lord said there is a man called Abraham who loves me 9my friend) I can't so he reveals his plan to a man why? - Because of his love for God -

When you obey my commandments then you remain in my love - Jesus

Love is not a feeling - my love for Jesus correlates to obeying his commandments

Agape love desires to be in the presence of the Lord. Love like this comes through men that obey Gods commandments

Anyone one who doesn't love me will not obey me. — that's how God knows who hates him... when we don't obey —

We see how Jesus understands love for him - those who are in Christ obeying his commandments is not about being busy in church activities or lip service it is love for God by obeying his commandments.

Example of those who do not actually love Jesus - St. Matthew 23:1-5

The love we have for God needs to be greater than the scribes and Pharisees

We have in these days - boastful, proud, disobedient, irreverent, unloving, unforgiving, without control, hate the good, cruel, slanderers, reckless, betray friends — all a departure from Agape love but they are religious but reject the power of God that will make them Godly

The love of God is replaces with Love of Self - they will follow their own desires - driven by selfish desires

Marveled by life in Canada - one of the things was to see individuals leaving from churches to churches from conference to conference promoting speakers for crowds and the minds of people shaped to follow what they want to hear versus what God wants them to know.

How different with the people with the tower of babel at least they did not mix Gods name with their own desires.

They will validate their own beliefs - as a preacher of righteousness we need to keep a clear mind in every situation

Activity without agape - Revelation 2: 1-7

God is calling the church in a time of lawlessness and the governments and nations look on good and deem it evil - check the laws in parliament to be passed against the church

Jesus says in the last days because sin is rampant the love of many will grow cold.

Greatest commandment is a love for God and a love for your brother

Every covetous man is an idolater and there is no inheritance in the kingdom for the greedy man - greed is a reflection and is produced from a love for self

Love will make you sell what you have for those in need.

Repent

You can be doing good but you have no love for God - go back to your first love

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