



# A Year of People Perspective!

2019

- “A new commandment I give you, love one another. As I have loved you, so also you must love one another. *By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.*” **John 13.34,35**
  - Old law to love your neighbor as yourself!
  - New command to love like He loved us!
  - Words and actions for ‘loveable and not!’

# Loving as He Loved Us...



- **Is an almost painful prospect/mark...**
  - **He loved all people, perfectly, at all times, without regard to His own life!**
- **But in context, and reality He wasn't commanding degrees of perfection...**
  - **He was asking for like words *AND actions...***
  - ***Asking us to love others because (lit: 'seeing that') He first loved us!***

# How He Loved Us!



- **While we were still His enemies...**
- **Without waiting for an improvement of our condition...**
- **In our slowness to understand...**
- **Even though His love wasn't always appreciated, accepted or returned...**
- ***He was lovingly faithful...***
- **And He asks us to love the same way...**

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2019

**“God so loved the  
world...” SO, JESUS  
LOVED THE WORLD!**

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**“Jesus so loved the  
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love the world like  
He loved us!**

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2019

**That's going to require  
great(er) faith... which  
comes by hearing the  
word of God!**

# Some Words of God!



- “By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another!” **John 13.35**
  - You can take it to mean, “each other!”
    - “But if you only love those who love you, do good to those who do good to you, give to those from whom you expect to receive again, what thanks do you have, even sinners do that!” **Luke 6.32-34**



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  - You can take it to mean, “each other!”
    - “But love your enemies... do good, and lend hoping for nothing in return, and your reward will be great and you will be the children of the Highest for He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Be merciful as your Father is also merciful!” **Lk 6.35,36**

# Some Words of God!



- “By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another!” **John 13.35**
  - Or you can take it to mean “all people!”
    - “The Lord make you to increase and abound in love to one another and all men, even as we do toward you!”  
**1Th3.12**
    - Jesus defined “neighbor...” by their **NEEDS!** **Luke 10.29ff**

# Some Words of God!



- “By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another!” **John 13.35**
- Or you can take it all the way:
  - “To witness to, live peaceably with, give aid to, show patience, gentleness and your moderation to, love, honor, pray for and work to save *all people*, **Acts 22 – 1Peter 2**, and especially those of the *household of faith!*” **Galatians 6.10**



**As faith without works is  
dead, so is love without  
service and kindness!**

# Some Words of God!

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- “It’s impossible but that offenses will come... but take heed to yourself... If your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. And if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times in a day returns to you, saying, ‘I repent,’ you will forgive him.” **Luke 17.1-4**
  - And the disciples rightly responded, “Lord, increase our faith!” **v5**

# Asides...



- “Take heed to *yourself*...”
  - The ‘mechanics’ of offenses, confrontation, forgiveness, is about “you!”
    - “If your brother trespasses against you, go and tell him his fault... if he hears, you have gained a brother” **Mt 18.15ff**
    - “If you stand praying, forgive if you have an offense, for if you don’t forgive, you are not forgiven!” **Mt 6.14 Mk 11.25,26**

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    - “How often should I forgive? 7x? No, seventy times seven!” **Mt18.21,22**
    - “And if they come seven times in a day saying, I repent, you must forgive them!” **Luke 17.4**
    - “LORD, INCREASE OUR FAITH!” **Luke 17.5**

# Asides...



- “Take heed to *yourself...*”
  - MORE FAITH because the offense, confrontation has little to do w/“them!”
    - *It has everything to do w/breaking your connection, taking you offline to love...*
    - *Broken fellowship with God!*
  - MORE FAITH: to know you are connected, stabilized, ‘*unsnatched!*’ **John 10.28**
    - To do what is right to stay aligned!



# Some Words of God!



- “If you can believe, *all things are possible to those that believe!* And immediately he cried out with tears, ‘Lord, I believe, help my unbelief!’”

**Mark 9.23,24**

- This case of demon cruelty is prefaced with, ‘how long has he been like this?’
  - A: ‘Since childhood!’

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**Mark 9.23,24**

– Many of us are afflicted with this man’s ‘conflict!’

- We believe in Jesus but we don’t have the energized faith for change!

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- Many of us are affected with his son’s long term torments!
  - But we do believe a ‘prayer’ of faith can make-up the difference!

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**When it comes to loving  
others like Jesus loved us...  
it's a good 'prayer...'**

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2019

**“Jesus, I believe in You, and I believe Your words... help me in every area of ‘unbelief,’ and relieve my torments!”**



**2019 is the year we see and  
love the people around us like  
Jesus saw and, first, loved us...  
because we take the faith!**