

Path-Way Fellowship



The Faces of Love

Part 2-b

God's Jealous Love

1. He had a carefully designed plan
2. Out of the billions of people that ever lived on this earth, He chose you to be His own
3. He knew everything about you (in advance) – both good and bad and still he chose you
4. He paid for the right to have a relationship with you
5. As a result, He is very jealous of your affections
6. It is a self-less love that knows that the only way you are safe, cared for, protected and complete is when you find your life in Him
7. When you have positioned yourself relationally with Him, then He is able to lavish His love on you

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How God deals with Israel is a picture of how He deals with us

- He always deals with the foreign enemies
- He always deals with the internal enemies amongst His own people

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He will do whatever it takes to bring you into a *oneness* with Him and into a *oneness* with your brothers and sisters in the Lord

John 17:21

“My prayer for all of them is that they will be one, just as you and I are one, Father”

Romans 12:9

Don't just pretend that you love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Stand in the side of good.

Romans 16:17-19

And now I make one more appeal, my dear brothers and sisters. Watch out for people who cause divisions and upset people's faith by teaching things that are contrary to what you have been taught. Stay away from them. Such people are not serving Christ our Lord; they are serving their own personal interests. By smooth talk and glowing words they deceive innocent people. But everyone knows that you are obedient to the Lord. This makes me very happy. I want you to see clearly what is right and to stay innocent of any wrong. The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.

Hebrews 12:14-17

Try to live in peace with everyone, and seek to live a clean and holy life, for those who are not holy will not see the Lord. ***See to it that no one comes short of the grace of God***; that no root of bitterness springing up causes trouble, and by it many be defiled; that there be no immoral or godless person like Esau, who sold his own birthright for a single meal. For you know that even afterwards, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought for it with tears.

Jesus Encounter with the Pharisees

Mark 12:24: Jesus said that they did not understand the scriptures or the power of God

Matthew 15:1-4: Jesus said they transgress the commandment of God for the sake of their traditions – they honor God with their lips but their hearts were far from Him

Matthew 23:1-36: Jesus said they pervert the word of God, they pursue their own glory, they have contempt for true believers, and they blatantly disregard the true law of God.

John 8:44: Jesus says that they were sons of their father the devil and that they love to do the evil things that he does

2 John 10, 11

If someone comes to your meeting and does not teach the truth about Christ, don't invite him into your house or encourage him in any way. Anyone who encourages him becomes a partner in his evil work.

Matthew 18:15-17

"If another believer sins against you, go privately and point out the fault. If the other person listens and confesses it, you have won that person back. But if you are unsuccessful, take one or two others with you and go back again, so that everything you say may be confirmed by two or three witnesses. If that person still refuses to listen, take your case to the church. If the church decides you are right, but the other person won't accept it, treat that person as a pagan or a corrupt tax collector.

Matthew 18:14

It is not my heavenly Father's will that even one of these little ones should perish.

Matthew 18:33

Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?

1 Corinthians 5:1-11

I can hardly believe the report about the sexual immorality going on among you, something so evil that even the pagans don't do it. I am told that you have a man in your church who is living in sin with his father's wife. And you are so proud of yourselves! Why aren't you mourning in sorrow and shame? And why haven't you removed this man from your fellowship?

Even though I am not there with you in person, I am with you in the Spirit. Concerning the one who has done this, I have already passed judgment in the name of the Lord Jesus. You are to call a meeting of the church, and I will be there in spirit, and the power of the Lord Jesus will be with you as you meet. Then you must cast this man out of the church and into Satan's hands, so that his sinful nature will be destroyed and he himself will be saved when the Lord returns.

1 Corinthians 5:1-11

How terrible that you should boast about your spirituality, and yet you let this sort of thing go on. Don't you realize that if even one person is allowed to go on sinning, soon all will be affected? Remove this wicked person from among you so that you can stay pure. Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed for us. So let us celebrate the festival, not by eating the old bread of wickedness and evil, but by eating the new bread of purity and truth.

When I wrote to you before, I told you not to associate with people who indulge in sexual sin. But I wasn't talking about unbelievers who indulge in sexual sin, or who are greedy or are swindlers or idol worshipers. You would have to leave this world to avoid people like that. What I meant was that you are not to associate with anyone who claims to be a Christian yet indulges in sexual sin, or is greedy, or worships idols, or is abusive, or a drunkard, or a swindler. Don't even eat with such people.

2 Corinthians 2:4-8

How painful it was to write that letter! Heartbroken, I cried over it. I didn't want to hurt you, but I wanted you to know how very much I love you. I am not overstating it when I say that the man who caused all the trouble hurt your entire church more than he hurt me. He was punished enough when most of you were united in your judgment against him. Now it is time to forgive him and comfort him. Otherwise he may become so discouraged that he won't be able to recover. Now show him that you still love him.

Matthew 12:30

He who is not with Me is against me; and he who does not gather with Me scatters.