The Love Of God (Part 2)

1 John 4:7-21

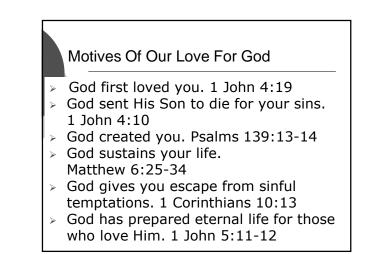
Our Love For God

1 John 5:1-4

# Motives Of Our Love For God Matthew 22:37-38

# o <u>Gratitude</u>.

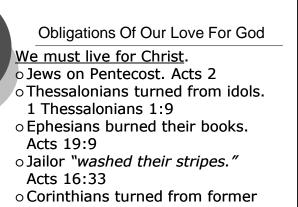
- Man's love for God should be motivated by what God has done for us. 1 John 4:9-10; cf. Romans1:21
- Psalms 118:19,21,28-29
- Psalms 136:1-3,26
- Psalms 138:1-2,4
- Psalms 139:14



# Obligations Of Our Love For God

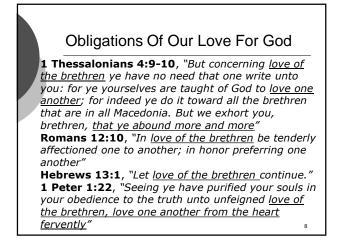
We must live for Christ.

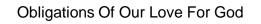
- 1 John 3:6-12; 2 Corinthians 5:14-15; Galatians 2:20
- "No longer I that live ..." Paul became insensible to the things of this <u>busy</u> world.
- There was an intimate union between Christ and His people. 1 John 2:23; 4:15-16; cf. John 15:5-6.



#### Obligations Of Our Love For God

- We must love one another. 1 John 4:11; 20-21; cf. John 13:34-35
- > We must love one another for God to accept our love. 1 John 4:20-21
- We are to "put on love" to bind the body of Christ together. Colossians 3:14





We must obey His commandments. 1 John 2:3ff; John 14:15, 21-24

> Loving one another is an essential part of obeying the truth. 1 John 4:20-21

1 Peter 1:22, "Seeing ye have purified your souls in your obedience to the truth unto <u>unfeigned love of the brethren, love</u> one another from the heart fervently."

# Review: Obligations Of Our Love For God • What obligations must we assume if we love God? 1. We must live for Christ. 1 John 3:6-12 • We must love one another

- 2. We must love one another. 1 John 4:11; 20-21
- 3. We must obey His
- commandments. 1 John 2:3-5; 5:2-3

# Practical Side Of Love 1 Corinthians 13

- We Show Love! 1 John 3:16-18
  - Sacrifice, service, and spiritual growth are only beneficial when our deeds are driven by love for:
    - 1. God. Matthew 22:37-38
    - 2. Our neighbors. Matthew 22:39
    - 3. Our brethren. Romans 12:10
    - 4. Our families. Ephesians 6:1-4
    - 5. Our enemies. Matthew 5:44

