What's Love Got to Do With it? Series: Building Better Relationships (Part 2) January 16, 2022

"Which is the most important command?" Jesus replied, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. The second most important is similar: Love your neighbor as much as you love yourself." Matt. 22:36-39 (LB)

THREE LAWS OF LOVE

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| The best of life is love | |
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| • | Love my faith |
| 1 | "Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love." 1 John 4:7-8 |
| | "If we say we love God, but hate others, we are liars. For we cannot love God, whom we have not seen, if we do not love others, whom we have seen." 1 John 4:20 (TEV) |
| • | Love my life |
| | "Love is more important than anything else. It is what ties everything completely together. " Colossians 3:14 (CEV) |
| • | Love for my sin |
| | "Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins." 1 Peter 4:8 (NLT) |
| | "God wiped out the charges that were against us for disobeying the Law He took them away and nailed them to the cross." Colossians 2:14 (CEV) |
| • | Love forever |
| | "Three things will continue forever: faith, hope, and love. And the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13 (NCV) |
| | "No matter what I say, what I believe, and what I do, I'm bankrupt |

without love." 1 Corinthians 13:3 (MSG)

| 2. | The best expression of love is |
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| | "We must show love through actions that are sincere, not through empty words." 1 John 3:18 (GW) |
| | "The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love." Gal. 5:6 (NIV) $$ |
| | "Live a life filled with love for others, following the example of Christ, who loved you and gave himself as a sacrifice to take away your sins." Eph. 5:2 (NLT) |
| 3. | The best time to love is |
| | "Whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone" Gal. 6:10 (NLT) |
| | "Use every chance you have for doing good." Eph. 5:16 (NCV) |
| | "Whenever you possibly can, do good to those who need it. Never tell your neighbors to wait until tomorrow if you can help them now." Prov. 3:27-28 (GN) |
| | "Eagerly pursue and seek to acquire love. Make it your aim, your great quest" 1 Corinthians 14:1 (Amplified) |

Homework