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The Love Series: Foundation one
God is Love 1 John 4:8

Without love we are nothing and have nothing and nothing we do will be profitable to us eternally. **Love is the foundation of faith** and the believers' faith-walk because love is God and God is love. Sure you can have faith to move mountains but without love faith will profit you nothing (1 Corinthians. 13) Faith works by and walks on love. Love is the centrality of the message of the scriptures. The revelation of the God who is love and who has redeemed us that we might live In Him, in love towards Him and one another, yes even our enemies (and I am not talking about the devil). I strongly believe that with the culmination of the end of this world as we know it (and I feel fine) looking earnestly first for the **appearancing** and then the **return** of Jesus Christ, **God is bringing the bride of Christ back to the foundation and crown of the new creation reality and command which is love.** For love embodies the foundation and purpose of human creation expressed in many facets as we relate to the creator in intimacy and with one another.

All that been said, we cannot however understand what love is without a knowledge and revelation of who the creator God is and when we have a revelation and understanding of who and what love is, keeping His commandments will be natural (not grievous as Jesus puts it) And as 1John states we will not continue to and with open eyes and unrepentant hearts live in sin because we are born of the Spirit. So who is God and what are His divine attributes? John 3:16 says that God so loved.... Since God so loved, God must be love to be able to love because one can only give of who they are. God is love according to 1 John 4:8 and love originates from God and ends in God and outside of God there is no love and can be no love and love cannot exist without God. God is the very essence of love and all that love is because love is who God is, an integral essence of His nature that cannot be or be separated from His being.

The God type of love, agape love is undiminished in intensity, unyielding, cannot be changed or persuaded to alter its course, and eternally the same because God does not and cannot change in his essential nature (Jeremiah 13:8, Malachi 3:6 and Hebrews 13:8). Have you ever wondered how God kept chasing you in love even when you were running away from Him for years and even cursing Him to His face? God was/is attracted to you because you are a treasure. God equates treasure and riches with and to people. People are the true riches and treasure and not things and that is why God was/is interested in you as a person even with all your shortcomings. While we were still sinners and enemies of God Christ died for us. Think about that.

God expresses love because HE is love. Divine Loving is natural to God because it is a natural expression and extension of Himself. Love is the foundational and fundamental nature of God, the highest characteristic and the one attribute in which all others like a masterpiece harmoniously and artistically blend. The statement that God is love is a statement of divine truth that goes beyond the limitation and mutability of fact because that which is fact is logistically changeable as opposed to truth. Facts may be true but do not necessarily equate to or constitute the truth. The divine nature of God does not fit within the limitations and mutability of fact.

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Love is not something God has as much as it is who HE is. The notion that God has love relegates the divine nature to a level that is comparable to something less than God. Yes God “has” love in the sense that His expression of love can only be so because it is who He is. The expression is a consequence of His State of being. If God was not love there will be no way He can genuinely express love. The devil has no ounce of love in him and is totally incapable of expressing love. The devil disguises lust (selfishness) as love. God is always expressing love even when we fail to see it. His love comes out in many forms.

Love commences in God, with God, from God and consummate in Him like a circle with no beginning and no end. You cannot exhaust something that is eternal. You cannot exhaust the love of God. Without God there will be and can be no love because God is love. 1 John 4:8 reveals God’s nature of love without necessarily answering the question of what constitutes love as in I Corinthians 13:4-13. The answer to what constitute God’s nature of love is one that can only be revealed in the acts of God throughout the bible (in creation) epitomized by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. To be by nature describes a fundamental aspect of someone or something that constitute their very being out of which they have no choice but to operate by because it is the very DNA that drives their being. Therefore as aforesaid, love is not something God has as much as it is who He is. Love is His nature. The nature of a being is the modus operandi by which they operate; it is what causes them to do the things they do. A person cannot be separated from that nature except the spiritual and or material essence of that person is changed. And God cannot change so God cannot but love because it is His nature. Love is God’s DNA not subject to temptation, therefore not subject to change by any means in or out of Himself.

As humans and created beings we express and act in accordance to our nature. Humans are born sinners so they sin because that is who they are. But when a sinner is born again his/her spiritual DNA is changed and they become God’s very righteousness born of The Holy Spirit according to 1 Corinthians 15. Therefore, they are to live by their re-born spirit within which dwells The Holy Spirit. Even so God out of Himself expresses and acts in accordance to His nature which is love. What that means is that God’s nature of love as well as all other aspects of the divine essence is a natural expression of who God is and that nature is not subject to change since God is the epitome of perfection. God cannot act or express Himself in a manner other than which He is. He cannot deny Himself as the bible says. He is faithful to and one with His nature. He is Holy (one with Himself) God cannot pretend. For example the bible says that God cannot lie and to lie is to sin. Lying is an act of unrighteousness and God is righteous and in Him there is no unrighteousness. You cannot bring something out of you that is not already in you. Jesus made that clear to disciples.

God is love and that is why HE reveals Himself as the “I AM” instructing Moses to go deliver His people from the bondage and oppression of Egypt just as He gave Jesus to redeem humanity from the wages of sin. That means that as long as God is which is forever He is the same and not subjects to change by circumstances or anything else. So all of creation can’t change God by their actions. Everything God does has its root in His nature, yes even His commandments and judgements are rooted in love though as humans our fallible minds fail to comprehend the divine truth of that connection. When God gave the law it was given out of love to protect sinful man from destroying Himself until the appointed time of the Messiah. Still today the laws of God exist and are underguarded in love for our protection and we do wise to obey.

It is vitally important that as believers we are growing in the revelation of the love of our Father. The reason I postulate this necessity is because many in Christendom have relegated their conception of the love of the Father to nothing more than mere emotions. May I poignantly say to you that **the love of God is not a feeling**. Please do not get me wrong. God has and expresses emotions, affection and feelings. To say he does not is to relegate HIM to a rationalistic concept that strips God of all emotions. God loves you foundationally and fundamentally because he is love. HIS love for you is a covenant love based out of his essential nature of

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love. If you understand the fundamental of covenant it implies something from which there is no turning back. God will never turn his love away from you. Even the eternally lost human souls in hell are still loved of God though they will never experience the truth and reality of His love. God asked the Prophet Isaiah the question “Do you think I take pleasure in the death of the sinner that dies”. It grieves the heart of our heavenly Father when a human being dies without Christ because that person is lost forever, condemned from the presence of His love (a situation from which there is no turning back). If God were to allow you to feel the core of His heart for the lost that are still alive and those dead and eternally condemned you will feel an immense love and grief at the same time. No one man (apart from Jesus) can bear the full impact of that love and grief alone. However, as the body of Christ (who is the head) we can together and as individuals experience measures of the immensity of love and grief that God has for the lost. We must do all and our part individually (and thereby collectively) to give of our selves in love to reach a lost and dying world (out of which we came and were a part of) for Christ.

God does not have a problem loving anyone because God is love and love is God and love is His divine nature. He is not in heaven trying to muster up some emotions or feelings of love for you. His love for you is not based on your performance. While we were yet sinners according to Romans Christ died for us. There is no indication of initiation or performance on our part to gain the love of God in that scripture or any other in the bible. God’s covenant with man was not sealed in the blood of sinful man but the sinless blood of the Lamb of God. God made covenant with Himself. God made covenant with God. God made covenant with love. Love made covenant with love. Jesus the second person of the trinity is as much love as The Father is because Jesus who said He **came out from** God is the visible person of the invisible God. God made covenant with the sinless God-Man Jesus Christ who is our representative before the Father. That covenant is an everlasting covenant (Hebrews 13:20) that cannot be broken. God cannot help but love you because that is who He is neither can He cease from loving you (and that does not negate judgement of sin)

The entire revelation of human redemption is wrapped up in the manifestation of God’s love. God didn’t create humans because He was lonely and in dire need of company or worship. There were already thousands of millions of angels worshipping God before He created man. Neither did God create the angels because He was lonely and needed company or someone or something to acknowledge who He is. **However, because God created the angels and man, He must and will be worshipped and acknowledged as the almighty God.** This is divine order and acknowledgement. God created man out of love and as Paul says in the epistles to show us the immensity of His love through the ages world without end Amen.

The motive for human creation is love, for God does nothing but out of love. God is love and moves in love and operates out of love. It is His goodness (love) that causes people to repent. There is something about love that causes others to gravitate towards the one expressing love. Love is the aromatic flavor that gives all attributes the foundation and spice of desire. Without love the holiness and the perfection of God can be a repudiating force to sinful man, redeemed or unredeemed. If you doubt it ask Peter, Isaiah, and Adam. Like Peter, many/some times we say Lord depart from me because I am a sinful person. We are so sin conscious when we should be righteousness conscious. **But praise God that the revelation, knowledge and actualization of His love draws us to Him knowing that in His love through the blood of Christ we are protected from been consumed by the light, fire and glory of His holiness.**

Dear saint, God’s eternal state of being is love and the actions of His creation cannot alter the essence of His being. God is love and God loves you period, not fundamentally because of your need for love (and we are creatures that need love, **we can’t survive without love**) but out of **His essential eternal nature of love that needs to love. Love must have an outlet of expression.** God’s love for humanity is an extension of the eternal bond of love that exist in the Godhead between the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost. Read John 17.

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Build your house upon the foundational revelation of God who is love and love, which is God. Set your heart this year to love God more than ever before and remember loving man who you can see is a sign that you love God who you cannot see. There is no greater commandment than love. When you love you are walking and living in the God realm, who so loved you He gave His only begotten Son...Love gave.

With much love as always

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