

# WHAT JESUS SAID ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT

## Part 1

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**John 13:34-35** *A new commandment I give unto you, **That ye love one another**; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this {Acts of love} shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another*

Do you agree with that?

That you can love Jesus and still live in sin, still commit very, very, unloving deeds?

Do hurtful, ugly – self, destructive things all the while still saying you still “**love**” Jesus!

Do we have a naive’ unreasonable expectation that if we love someone – our behavior should be reflective of that?

Dare we go as far to say that – our love for someone controls us? – Restricts us, prevents us from certain behaviors.

**Def:** *Fidelity implies strict and continuing faithfulness to an obligation, trust, or duty.*

**Def:** in·fi·del·i·ty **1.** *The action or state of being unfaithful to a spouse or other sexual partner. - is being “unfaithful” a violation of expected behavior?*

Someone does something they are not suppose to!

**Infidelity, or cheating**, is the act of being either *emotionally* or *physically* unfaithful to a spouse or partner, and breaking a commitment or promise during the act. **Adultery is** - engaging in *physical, sexual activity*, and may be considered a criminal offense and grounds for divorce in certain places.

**2. unbelief** in a particular religion, especially Christianity. (“Infidel”)

Dare we go as far to say that our love for someone controls us? Restricts us, prevents us from certain behaviors. – is that an unreasonable expectation?

Would you say that you want your love for someone to control them?

Does your love for someone make you live different!

**2 Cor 5:14 ESV** *For the **love** of Christ **controls** us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died;*

**KJV** *For the love of Christ **constraineth** us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:*

**Aramaic** *-For the love of The Messiah **compels** us to reason this: The One died in the place of every person; so then every person died with him.*

**Weymouth New Testament** *For the love of Christ **overmasters** us, the conclusion at which we have arrived being this--that One having died for all, His death was their death,*

So, then does this mean that **Love is controlling?**

Love – then must cause **Restrictions** in our behavior.

Love has boundaries! limits, limitations,

We have to have “self-control” to express our love.

**1 Peter 4:8 MSG** <sup>7-11</sup> Everything in the world is about to be wrapped up, so take nothing for granted. Stay wide-awake in prayer. Most of all, love each other as if your life depended on it. Love makes up for practically anything.

**NIV** Above all, love each other deeply, because love {Agape} covers over a multitude of sins.

**Def:** Greek - *agápē* Love, goodwill, love, benevolence, good will, esteem; plur: love-feasts. *agápē* – properly, love which centers in moral preference.

Don't you want to know "**What Love is?**"

→ Cue Video: "What is LOVE?"

Who knows what Love is? **Loyalty, sacrifice, commitment, friendship, provide, protect, - choice?!**

Can you "fall" in love? Like a mud puddle? - if so, can you "fall" out of love?- wash it off?  
Is it the **musicians, poets, movie script and song writers**- are they the source for us to define what Love is?

Is Titanic our source for what true love is? (Oh Jack!)

Is it **Ed Sheridan, Taylor swift, Bryan Adams, Michael Bubl , Celin Deon, Smoky Robinson**, fill in the blank...

Does our current culture – think that Love is controlling?

That if you tell someone what to do or not to do – that's true love? – "unconditional love" – i.e. love without conditions....

Where in the universe does that come from?

We say "God loves us unconditionally"

But does he? Really.... ? God places no expectations on us when He loves us?

**John 14:15. If ye love me, keep my commandments.**

**Does keeping His commandments sound like a "condition" to you?**

Jesus says – "love Him is doing what He tells you."

*"Love is obeying what I have said"*

"Love is keeping your word and His!"

Love causes you to do things, and prevents you from doing things!

**St: You can determine the depth of your love for Jesus by how surrendered you are to His Words!**

The Bible is God speaking to me/you!

"A lot of people want God to speak to them – but they don't listen to anything He says – and that's why He doesn't say anything else!" KH

**John 13:1-5 ESV** Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup> During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him, <sup>3</sup> Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going back to God, <sup>4</sup> rose from supper. He laid aside His outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around His waist. <sup>5</sup> Then He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

**Vs 1** Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

*"I'm about to die I only have a short time left here...."*

*"I'm going to do the lowest, dirtiest, most resented job of a household."*

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The New Commandment is to replace by the old

You can only give a new commandment – if you were the one who gave us the old ones! - Jesus is God! Commandments – (Exodus 20- the Ten Commandments)

If you walk in love – you won't **steal** from someone you love! you won't commit murder, adultery, or bare false, witness, You won't Lie about anyone.

The number one thing Jesus commanded His disciples – after Judas left was to love one another...

The Holy Spirit is coming back to help make you into love experts!

## **1. WE NEED TO BE A LOVE EXPERTS IN LOVING ONE ANOTHER**

How do you know your saved? \* What proof did you get?

Where is your golden Ticket to heaven? \* How about your spiritual birth certificate-

They gave one for your physical birth- didn't they? \* Isn't your spiritual birth – even more important?

**1 John 3:14 NIV** We **know** that we have passed from death to life, **because we love each other.** Anyone who does not love remains in death. (Unsaved, in darkness, unregenerate)

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*God's Definition of Love Sheets*

**NEXT Sunday... "The Enemy of Love" what is the opposite of Love it's not hate!**