FAITH IN LOVE

1John 4:16 We know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and he who remains in love remains in God, and God remains in him.

Does Jehovah God have love for us? Well all Christian's from different groups would resoundingly say yes! But do you believe God love you? That is the question posed here by apostle John? Well, yes, but caveat, then start listings all the rules and teachings you must follow to have God's love. Who could argue with such legal logic it only reasonable that we must earn Gods' love, isn't it?

James 1:6 But let him ask in faith, without any doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven by the wind and tossed.

1:7 For let that man not think that he will receive anything from the Lord.

Will, does our lack of faith show up in your legal logic? The ultimate question is do you trust God loves you? You see, it not a hard question, it is just a thought that human under sin, and punishment can't come to grips with, without having fear of judgment. But the question is do you believe God is love? Is God looking at us with thoughts of love, or thoughts of punishment, which do you chose to believe? Some would say both to keep themselves safe, on both sides of the fence, so to speak.

Romans 5:16 The gift is not as through one who sinned: for the judgment came by one to condemnation, but the free gift came of many trespasses to justification.

But has love been made perfect in such double mindedness? And the most important question for us is: how do we individually remain in God's love so God remains in us? Well, here is the key to understanding

God's love, "Jesus Christ". Can we be in God's love without first being in Jesus Christ, no we can't. We are then found in God's own love when we become a part of Jesus Christ, but how? This is not double talk, Christ and His Father are one, and we are to be one with them. This is accomplished in Yahweh's unmerited love towards us.

Unmerited love is not earned by a child, it is given by a loving parent/parent(s), but for a child of God they are given the merit of Christ Jesus life when they become part of him and receive the imperishable life of his body, which is sinless and incorruptible. Are we loved by God for what we do, or what Christ Jesus has done for us? If we are loved because of the latter then we can rest in God's love towards his Son Christ Jesus.

1John. 4:17 In this love has been made perfect among us, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment, because as he is, even so are we in this world.

God's own love is made perfect among us when we put faith in Gods love, which is Jesus Christ, what does this mean? It means Christ Jesus is God's unmerited love for us, when we accept this gift of God we have no judgment, why? Because the life of Christ Jesus is beyond God's judgment, he is incorruptible life, so God does not judge Christ Jesus by His righteous laws, there is no need for judgment, Christ Jesus is now life under the perfect law of life, which is God's love.

Do we have that boldness in us? We can by remaining in God's love, Christ Jesus, if so we have no judgment, and if we have no judgment we can be bold in the day of God's judgment, or are we still trying to earn the gift of God unmerited love, are we still trying to stand in our own obedience, and constantly feeling unloved by God while lying to others about God's love?

Galatians 3:10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under a curse. For it is written, "Cursed is everyone who doesn't continue in all things that are written in the book of the law, to do them."{Deuteronomy 27:26}

You see there is a very fine line between guilt and love, when one finds themselves in such a relationship they often stay because they think guilt is love, but once out of the relationship they see clearly that it was a sick love base on guilt, and that is the real reason they stayed, but it was not real love. In fact, it was the fear of judgment from the other person putting guilt upon them as not meeting their requirements. However, guilt does not perfect love in the relationship it rather creates fear, jealousy and judgments. But at that moment we certainly didn't believe it wasn't real love, now did we? Moreover, it is the fear of losing that sick love that keeps one hang on, almost like we are drunk, without common sense.

Is it any wonder that false religion in Revelation is called a Harlot and she making her subjects drunk with new law of love and uses the guilt of the Old law causing fear, which gains her control over all the nations. No wonder God tells his people to come out from her. His people just cannot see the truth of His love in context too such an abusive unloving relationship. We simply cannot judge properly God's love by guilt, it cause a mixture, creating a drugged state of fear and judgment, but oure need for spiritually loved is so strong in us that the harlot steps in and offers illegitimate adulterated love.

2 Corinthians 6:17 Therefore, "'Come out from among them, and be separate,' says the Lord. 'Touch no unclean thing. I will receive you. {Isaiah 52:11; Ezekiel 20:34,41}

She takes what is unmerited love in Christ Jesus and attaches guilt through many works to keep one in an abuses relationship that damages them with one plague after another, claiming those plagues as God's punishment because a person is not adhering to the commandments of a certain religious group. What a mystery to those drinking this mixture, they get upset at others telling them the truth, because of fear of losing the relationship. But until they come out of her, God can't really help them understand the truth.

1John 4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear has punishment. He who fears is not made perfect in love.

Well here is the acid test of truth, are you punished one day, and loved the next, are you confused, do you believe good and evil comes from God, or are you under God's unmerited love in Christ Jesus? Are you under fear in a abusive spiritual relationship trying to be perfectly obedient, but coming up short in fear? You see, God's unmerited gift is not given once your are perfectly obedience to certain rules, it is given freely in proof of God's own love by your trust/faith in Jesus Christ. When we say love never fails, we are actually saying God first put faith in His own love, then proves it by giving us unmerited love. God's love cannot fail us because it produces in each one of us love for His precious gift of Jesus Christ, God's unmerited love for humans.

James 1:8 He is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

James 1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom can be no variation, nor turning shadow.

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