Adult Sunday School

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God's Love

- God showed His love to the world through His Son. John 3:16
- God wants all your love that He may show His love though you to the world. God will show His love to the world through you. I John 3:16; I Cor. 14:25,26,31

I. Love Expressed

- A. God Expresses His Love
 - 1. Through Obedient People
 - 2. Through Able People
 - 3. Through Submissive People
- B. Love is More than Words
 - A Word of Faith
 <u>Faith</u> will help you to become what God
 wants you to be.
 - a. Inexpressible
 - b. Unutterable
 - c. Unspeakable Words *II Cor. 12:4* "Sound" "Tinkling" -- No matter how hard you try, you cannot love as God does.

- The Element of Hope Our hope is for God to make us to become what He wants us to be.
- 3. The Desire of Love
 - a. Love will REJOICE in the Lord
 - b. Love will PRAISE the Lord
 - c. <u>Love</u> will TRUST the Lord Romans 15:1 LOVE IS STRONG
 - v.10 'again'
 - v.11 'again'
 - v. 12 'again'

II. Love Experienced

- A. God Gave His Love
 - 1. To All

John 3:16 "For God so love the world"

Unselfish & Unconditional love shown

- a. At the Birth of Jesus as a Man Matt. 2:1
- b. On the Cross through Dying in Our Place
- 2. In that While We Were Yet Sinners *Rom. 5:8* "Christ died for us"
- 3. When We Were Yet Without Strength *Rom. 5:6* "Christ died for the ungodly"

B. Love is More than Emotions

- 1. Love is experienced through the element of <a href="https://hope.ncb.nlm.nc
- 2. Emotions will bring you down as well as lift you up.

Luke 13:17 "All His adversaries were ashamed." "All His people rejoiced."

Luke 9:26 "Whosoever shall be ashamed" "Shall the Son of Man be ashamed"

Rom. 1:16 "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ"

Rom. 9:33; 10:8-11 "believeth – Phil. 1:20 My hope: that in nothing shall I be ashamed.

Rom. 5:2-5 Hope maketh not ashamed.

Many are willing to share love but not just give it as the Lord does. Unless they are receiving most will not give at all.

III. Love's Expectation

- A. God expects the same out of you that He puts in you.
 - 1. Through His Son
 - 2. Through His Spirit
 - 3. Through His Spoken Word
- B. Love is more than actions.
 - 1. Words, Feelings, and Actions are what God will Use *I Cor.* 14:25
 - a. God in Your Mouth (words)
 - b. God in Your Soul (hope, joy, peace)
 - c. God in Your Heart (love)
- C. Love produces the greatest. I Cor. 13
 - 1. The Greatest Suffering

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2. The Greatest Rejoicing

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3. The Greatest Endurance

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4. The Greatest Love