

How Do I Know God's Will?: Principles for a God-Directed Life (Part 10)

1. **God Has _____ His Love**

Rom 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

1 John 3:16 By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.

1 John 4:8-10 He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹ In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

2. **We _____ God's Love**

Rom 8:35-39 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *Shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." ³⁷ Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

2 Cor 5:14-15 For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; ¹⁵ and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

Eph 2:4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,

Eph 3:19 to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

1 John 3:1 Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

3. **Love Is _____ by God**

John 17:26 "And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare *it*, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

Eph 1:4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love,

Phil 1:9 And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment,

2 Thes 3:5 Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the patience of Christ.

4. **Love Is _____**

Jn 5:42 "But I know you, that you do not have the love of God in you.

5. **Love Is _____ by God**

Rom 5:5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

2 Tim 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

6. **Love Is _____**

2 Cor 8:7 But as you abound in everything -- in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us -- *see* that you abound in this grace also.

Eph 1:15 Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints,

Col 1:4 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of your love for all the saints;

1 Thes 1:3 remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father,

1 Thes 3:6 But now that Timothy has come to us from you, and brought us good news of your faith and love, and that you always have good remembrance of us, greatly desiring to see us, as we also *to see you* --

2 Thes 1:3 We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other,

2 Tim 3:10 But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance,

Philemon 1:5 hearing of your love and faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the saints,

Rev 2:19 "I know your works, love, service, faith, and your patience; and *as* for your works, the last *are* more than the first.

7. **Love Is _____ in the Bible**

John 15:13 "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.

Rom 13:10 Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love *is* the fulfillment of the law.

Rom 14:15 Yet if your brother is grieved because of *your* food, you are no longer walking in love. Do not destroy with your food the one for whom Christ died.

1 Cor 8:1 Now concerning things offered to idols: We know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love edifies.

1 Cor 13:4-7 Love suffers long *and* is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; ⁵ does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; ⁶ does not

rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; ⁷ bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Eph 4:2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love,

Eph 4:15-16 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head – Christ – ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Col 2:2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and *attaining* to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ,

Heb 6:10 For God *is* not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, *in that* you have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

1 John 2:5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him.

1 John 3:17 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him?

1 John 4:12 No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us.

1 John 4:16-18 torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

1 John 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.

2 John 1:6 This is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the commandment, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it.

8. **Love Is** _____

John 13:35 "By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 15:9 " As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love.

John 15:10 "If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

1 Cor 14:1 Pursue love, and desire spiritual *gifts*, but especially that you may prophesy.

1 Cor 16:14 Let all *that* you *do* be done with love.

Gal 5:13 For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not *use* liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

Eph 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

Phil 2:2 fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, *being* of one accord, of one mind.

Col 3:14 But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.

1 Thes 3:12 And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we *do* to you,

1 Thes 5:8 But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and *as* a helmet the hope of salvation.

1 Tim 1:5 Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, *from* a good conscience, and *from* sincere faith,

1 Tim 4:12 Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

1 Tim 6:11 But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness.

2 Tim 2:22 Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

Heb 10:24 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works,

1 Pet 4:8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."

1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

Jude 1:21 keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

9. **Love Is Essential for** _____ **&** _____

1 Cor 13:1-3

Gal 5:6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but faith working through love.

Eph 3:17 that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

10. **Possible** _____ **of Love**

Matt 24:12 "And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.

Luke 11:42 "But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass by justice and the love of God. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.

Rom 12:9 *Let love be* without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good.

1 John 2:15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Rev 2:4 "Nevertheless I have *this* against you, that you have left your first love.