Rev 2:1-5 1 Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks; 2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars: 3 And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.

4 Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

The Love of His Word

Ps 1:1 ¶ Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Jos 1:8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Joh 14:15 ¶ If ye love me, keep my commandments.

The Love of His Word cont

Joh 14:22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? 23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

Ps 119: Law, Testimonies, Ways, Precepts, Statutes, Commandments, Judgments, THY WORD 97 MEM. O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day.

113 ¶ SAMECH. I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love.

119 Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.

The Love of His Word cont

Ps 119: Law, Testimonies, Ways, Precepts, Statutes, Commandments, Judgments, THY WORD

127 ¶ Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.

159 ¶ Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness.

165 ¶ Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them.

The Love for the Brethern

1Jo 3:14 ¶ We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death.

1Jo 3:23 ¶ And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.

1Jo 2:10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

The Love for the Brethern cont

1Jo 4:7 ¶ Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. 8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. 9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

1Jo 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

Joh 15:12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

Joh 15:17 These things I command you, that ye love one another.

The Love for the Brethern cont *Mt* 9:36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

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

Col 1:4 Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints, 5 For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel; 6 Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth:

3 The Love for His Church Evang Harold Boyd often said, "If you did not get enough salvation to get you into church, you probably did not get enough to get you into heaven."

Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

Ac 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

3 The Love for His Church cont

Everyone needs a Pastor

Heb 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Heb 13:17 Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

4 The Love for Giving

Evang Harold Boyd often said, "God Does not take up offerings to raise money, but to raise Christians."

2Co 8:18 And we have sent with him the brother, whose praise is in the gospel throughout all the churches; 2Co 8:24 Wherefore shew ye to them, and before the churches, the proof of your love, and of our boasting on your behalf.

Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

4 The Love for Giving cont

2Co 9:6 ¶ But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. 7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

Ps 37:26 He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed.... 112:5 A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.

Pr 19:17 He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given will he pay him again.

Tithe if you love Jesus, ... Any idiot can honk

Thy First Love – The WORD, Thy Brother,
The Church, The Giving

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