

1<sup>st</sup> John #58 “I Do” 1<sup>st</sup> John 3:16

We'll spend our entire lifetime on earth learning, understanding, believing, applying the Word of God and growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ because He provided His very own thinking for us in which to do so.

The commands given to us for Christian marriage cannot be fulfilled apart from our love for God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit; understood and expressed in us and that love only comes when we have the thinking of Christ in our souls.

The power of the human love of Jesus Christ is the potential power of human love in every Church Age believer as this love is a part of the heritage of the Church Age.

God decides how long a nation or a race is going to survive; not politicians or even the military.

This means that the wife must have an aggressive love for God in order to have a responsive love for her husband and no wife can fulfill this command unless she has both categories of love; enduring devotion and respect for the Lord Jesus.

Aggressive love is vigorous initiative with constant persistence in learning, understanding, believing and applying biblical truth, so that the husband's enduring devotion advances from his spiritual self-esteem to his occupation with the person of Jesus Christ which provides the motivation for his intense love for his wife.

The wife responds with her humility and admiration for her husband as his enduring devotion to God becomes the enduring power for his loyalty and faithfulness to his wife, causing the wife respond by honoring her husband.

The first man and woman had perfect communion of souls, which came from a perfect love for God and each other and this perfect love would be the first challenge to Satan; so immediately, he knew he had to destroy the marriage with its communion of souls along with the true meaning of sexual relations and this would ultimately condemn him.

From marriage would come evangelism in the home and from evangelism would come the spiritual life and from the spiritual life would come the testimony that would destroy Satan.