

Series: The Gift of the Holy Spirit

## The Divine Conqueror Part II

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What's stopping us from walking in the anointing of God's love? Quite directly, it is our desire for self-preservation. We need to be in control. We fear losing control, losing our "self," losing power over our own lives. In trying to preserve our own life, we fall in the corruption of sin. The iniquity of our little hearts bent toward evil brings inner woundedness. We put up barriers, strongholds, fortresses of protection. We set ourselves up for rejection and don't even know it. We have something to prove, things to justify, issues of worth. We have something to preserve, things to control, issues of self-preservation and self-defense. We have something to promote, ourselves.

**We can overcome this need/desire to prove, preserve, and promote ourselves and walk in the anointing that transforms by following the two dimensions of God's command to love the Lord our God and to love others.**

**Love God. We do this as we embrace God's love for us. We love because He first loved us.** If we think of loving God in the context of loyalty or fidelity, we come closer to what loving God means.

Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments." In supreme loyalty and attachment to Jesus Christ, we are given grace to obey through faith which works by love. If we believe in Christ, we are also to believe Him. If we believe Him, then we will come to believe what Jesus believes and walk in a deeper faith.

Last time we talked about God's love for us. Today we want to consider how we, as believers in Jesus Christ, demonstrate loving others.

Love. How little we know of it, what it looks like. The word has become trite, and the devil would trivialize it and make it common, making it less than its intended glory.

Love smiles at another's blessing.

Love mourns with another's misery.

Love connects one soul to soul.

Love from God pours into the true believer until it presses through your pores to reach another.

Love prays for another's well being, for another's well being is your own.

Love looks deep within the soul to its beauty hiding beneath the barrier, the reef, the coral reef, rough and jagged.

Love descends into the depth in order to climb the height.

Love goes down that others may rise.

Love reaches with its eyes to draw out the frozen, the fearful, the forlorn, and the

forgotten.

Love carries its brother, for to carry another is to carry oneself.

Love is the energy that connects.

**God's love is pure, peaceable, and powerful, more powerful than death itself.** God loves us and has reached out to connect with us -- in words, with eyes, with touch, with the fragrance of the gospel. Love is the energy of union. God's love is pure, holy, clean, undefiled, and harmless.

**The energy of God's love poured forth into our hearts, shed abroad in us, transforms. It transforms us.** It conforms us into the image of Jesus Christ. It enables us to take on, not only the Name, but the Nature of Jesus Christ. The love of God embraced by us is then released into our world as we love others. It is a tangible anointing, the tangible energy of God's holy love as He embraces His own. His touch of love transforms tangibly, a tangible transformation wrought by the touch of a God whose energy emanates from His holy love for us.

**God loves us tangibly.** Therefore, the anointing which we have received of God abides in us. (1 John 2.27) Abide in Him. Behold Him and become what you behold. God has bestowed upon us His great love, a love that enables us to be called the sons of God. (1 John 3.1) This is the foundation of our being able to love others in ways pleasing to the Father. We have the Holy Spirit. We have been given new hearts and renewed minds.

If we look at passages like John 3:16ff; John 17:22, 23; and Romans 8:37-39, we see a connection between love and conquering: a. by the Father as the One sending the Son; b. by Christ's atoning work; and c. by the Spirit of Christ (the Holy Spirit) abiding within the believer.

**We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loves not his brother abides in death. (1 John 3.14)**

The Holy Spirit conquers by love to overcome evil. His love never fails.

*God's unfailing love for us is an objective fact affirmed over and over in the Scriptures. It is true whether we believe it or not. Our doubts do not destroy God's love, nor does our faith create it. It originates in the very nature of God, who is love, and it flows to us through our union with His beloved Son. ~ Jerry Bridges*

**Fulfilling the commands of Christ to love God and to love others could be better served.** We have noted that people tend to desire to prove, preserve, promote, and protect themselves rather than embrace God's love for them. But what if we were to grasp that "we love because He first loved us"? (1 John 4:19)

**Satan's hatred is overcome by God's love for the cosmos.** By receiving God's love and embracing Him, we release the power of God's love into our world. His love enables us to love others as He has commanded. It's not within us to love others apart from the love of God working in us and through us. Do we truly believe that the One abiding in the believer is greater than the one that is in the world? Apart from Jesus, we can do

nothing. In Christ we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. Perfect love that casts out fear is a mature love.

1 John 4:7-21 NKJV

### **Let us love one another.**

<sup>7</sup>Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup>He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

### **As we love one another, God abides in us.**

<sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. <sup>14</sup>And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. <sup>15</sup>Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. <sup>16</sup>And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

### **Love perfected in us gives us boldness in the Day of Judgment.**

<sup>17</sup>Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the Day of Judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. <sup>18</sup>There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. <sup>19</sup>We love Him because He first loved us.

### **The one who loves God loves his brother also. We obey by faith.**

<sup>20</sup>If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? <sup>21</sup>And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God *must* love his brother also. NKJV

Let's hear from Revelation:

**Revelation 6:2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse. He who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer. NKJV**

**Revelation 12:11 (The word translated "life" here is "Psyche," soul G5590. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. NKJV**

## Revelation 19:11-16

Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. <sup>15</sup>Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. <sup>16</sup>And He has on *His* robe and on His thigh a name written:

**KING OF KINGS AND  
LORD OF LORDS.**

<sup>17</sup>Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, “Come and gather together for the <sup>18</sup>supper of the great God, <sup>18</sup>that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all *people*, <sup>19</sup>free and slave, both small and great.”

<sup>19</sup>And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. <sup>20</sup>Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. <sup>21</sup>And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh. NKJV

Jesus Christ is the Captain of our Salvation.

**Romans 5:5** Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out [shed abroad] in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. NKJV

How has Jesus conquered you by His love and faithfulness as the Holy Spirit given to us applies what Jesus has accomplished for our so great salvation?

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