

LOVE IS YOUR GATEWAY TO SUCCESS

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DAY 1 – LOVE IS THE KEY TO YOUR SUCCESS

God is Love and Love is the key, the gateway to success. God is a covenant God. The meaning of *success* is “the favorable answer to the purpose that was intended.” When biblical principles of love are used, even an unbeliever can be successful.

STUDY IT

- I. God is Love and Love is the key, the gateway to success.
 - We know God loves the whole world (see John 3:16).
 - We need to have respect for that word—*love*.
 - The word *love* has become a slang word used in an incorrect way. People use it to express their enjoyment of something when love should be used as the appropriate response to a holy God.
 - God gives us all things richly to enjoy, not to love (see 1 Timothy 6:17).
 - We are told to not love the things of the world (see 1 John 2:15).
 - To say, “I like you,” means “I want to be like you.” “I don’t like you,” means “I don’t want to be like you.”
 - Brother Copeland ends each day with the declaration: “I love The LORD my God with all my heart, soul, mind and strength, I love my neighbor as myself, and I love the brethren even as He loves the brethren.”

- II. God is a covenant God.
 - Love wrote down His WORD in order to BLESS His people. That’s the point of both covenants—to BLESS.
 - The BLESSING of being in the Garden of Eden was Love’s idea, not Adam’s. He just came awake in the Garden.
 - “Let me hear of your unfailing love each morning, for I am trusting you” (Psalm 143:8, *NLT*).

- III. The meaning of *success* is “the favorable answer to the purpose that was intended.”
 - “Now abideth faith, hope and charity (love)” (1 Corinthians 13:13).
 - When we talk about Love, we are talking about God.
 - Faith and hope cannot produce love; but love alone produces faith and hope.



- When we walk in love, our faith works and hope is there; therefore, we do not despair.
 - When we get to heaven, we will be like the angels and continue to see new things about God.
 - The angels fall to their faces every time they see something new about God.
 - We will spend eternity learning the depths of God's Love for us.
- IV. When biblical principles of love are used, even an unbeliever can be successful.
- Love even your enemies. Do unto others, as you would have others do unto you (see Luke 6:27-31). *What you do to others is what they will do to you*, said The LORD.
 - That's sowing and reaping on a personal level—the law of seedtime and harvest (Genesis 8:22).
 - God sowed His Son to reap—not servants, but other sons and daughters.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Do you love your neighbor? Do you love your family? Do you love yourself? Love is the key to turn a bad situation into a successful one. God's Love should be the foundation of your life. It surrounds you and protects you from destruction. Practice showing love to each person and see a new way of living an abundant life.

Write the names of several people you can demonstrate God's Love to and watch things change for the good all around you.



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DAY 2 – LOVE GIVES

Believers have a voice that needs to be heard. It's the voice of faith, of victory, but most of all, the voice of Love. Abraham offered his only begotten son as a sacrifice; that was a covenant act. The Hebrew root word for *love* is *give*. God's Love compels us to do what we should do—and we are successful.

STUDY IT

- I. Believers have a voice that needs to be heard. It's the voice of faith, of victory, but most of all the voice of Love.
 - As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness; so the Son of man must be lifted up so that they may have eternal life (see John 3:14-15).
 - Moses lifting up the serpent in the wilderness brought the opportunity for healing to the people.
 - In the same way, Jesus being lifted up brought the opportunity for the world through Him to be saved and healed.

- II. Abraham offered his only begotten son as a sacrifice; that was a covenant act.
 - God, as his covenant partner, offered His only begotten Son.
 - Abraham believed that God was able to raise Isaac from the dead.
 - "Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead" (Hebrews 11:19).
 - The first time the word *love* is used in the Bible was referring to Abraham's attitude toward his son, Isaac (Genesis 22:2).
 - There are times we should be like Abraham—to sacrifice our dream, the thing we love—so that God can be our first love.

- III. The Hebrew root word for *love* is *give*.
 - God so loved that He gave (see John 3:16).
 - God cannot love without giving, and love will compel you to give.
 - That's why David was driven to find and BLESS (give to) Jonathan's son, because David loved Jonathan, his covenant brother.



- When Jesus was moved with compassion (love), it caused Him to take action, to give.
- The Love of the Father compelled Him to give you His Holy Spirit.
- Jesus prayed that God would care for, give to and BLESS those who believed in Him through the words of the disciples (see John 17:20).
- Jesus also prayed, “And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them” (John 17:26).
- The Love with which God loved Jesus is now in us.

IV. God's Love compels us to do what we should do—and we are successful.

- Everything you put your hand to will prosper (see Psalm 1:3).
- In Hebrew, the root word for *love (ahabah)* is spelled: *Aleph, He, Bet, He*.
- In ancient Hebrew, the letter pictures for are:
 - *Aleph*: the head of a bull: a strong leader.
 - *He*: man lifting his hands and looking, receiving revelation.
 - *Bet*: house.
 - *He*: man lifting his hands and looking, receiving revelation.
- Therefore, the pictures show: The Father revealed from His house, His Son for us to behold.
- Jesus is the revealed will of God; the revealed person of Love. Everything He did in the earth was Love.
- Nothing can separate us from the Love of God (see Romans 8:37-39).

MAKE IT PERSONAL

The Love of God in you moves you to give. Give yourself to God, give your intercessory prayers for people, and give to others in need.

Take time to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit as He guides you into what and when to give. Praise Him for your opportunities and your successes!





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DAY 3 – THERE IS NO FEAR IN LOVE

To walk in love is to live a fear-free, failure-free life. God is Love and His Love is eternal. In God's realm, fear doesn't exist. We love because Jesus first loved us.

STUDY IT

- I. To walk in love is to live a fear-free, failure-free life.
 - The Love of God has been shed abroad in our hearts, so we can say this about ourselves. "We suffer long and are kind..." (1 Corinthians 13:4-8, *AMPC*).
 - The Apostle John called himself the disciple whom Jesus loved. John is the one Jesus turned His mother over to.
 - Paul wrote to Timothy, don't let anyone despise your youth. The Apostle John and Mary, Jesus' mother, were sitting in his church.
 - Paul didn't want Timothy to be intimidated.
 - Kenneth preached at the Navajo meeting. One of the Navajo Code Talkers said, "A warrior without love is a dishonorable warrior."

- II. God is Love and His Love is eternal (1 John 4:7).
 - He who fears is not developed in love (see 1 John 4:18). He who fears becomes a very selfish person.
 - Once fear takes precedence over The WORD of God in your life, your words of love change to reflect fear and doubt.
 - God first loved you, and you are able to love because His Love is in you.
 - There is no fear in love because there is no fear in God.
 - Fear involves the expectation of God's judgment/punishment (1 John 4:17-18, *AMPC*).
 - Mature love casts out fear because fear has torment. We know who the tormentor is, who the spirit of fear is.

- III. In God's realm, fear doesn't exist.
 - God wants us to be perfect in love because perfect love casts out fear (see 1 John 4:18).





- We are in the kingdom of the Son of His Love—*agape* (see Colossians 1:9-13).
 - This is a love kingdom and we are in it and it's in us the moment we are born again.
- You have to yield to love for it to produce what it's supposed to produce. Keep your eyes on love.
- The Pharisees stood right in front of Jesus and couldn't see the Love of God because they had a warped sense of love.
- We know who Love is.

IV. We love because Jesus first loved us (see 1 John 4:10, 19).

- John said, "We saw, heard and touched Jesus; we know what Love sounded like" (see 1 John 1:1)
- We are in Christ, and Jesus was judged. We've been judged as part of Christ.
- Our responsibility is to imitate Jesus.
- We must not get into a place of even being mad at people—stay in love.
- Jesus, in heaven, does not have the flu or a sore back. As He is, so are we in this world (see 1 John 4:17).
 - We don't have to have the flu, physical ailments or any worries. We should be, in the earth, like Jesus is in heaven.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Make this declaration: "My heart is rooted and grounded in Love, and I live in the expectation of His BLESSING."

Write two ways you can live in expectation of God's BLESSING.

1. _____

2. _____



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DAY 4 – LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Jesus gave the command that we should love one another, including our enemies. Jesus kept covenant. We should pray for government leaders whether we agree with them or not.

STUDY IT

- I. Jesus gave the command that we should love one another.
 - The night before Jesus was crucified, He and His disciples gathered to celebrate the Passover (see John 13-17).
 - During the meal, Jesus announced that one of the disciples would betray Him (John 13:21).
 - When Judas left, then Jesus could begin to talk about the new covenant and loving one another (see John 13:34-35).

- II. Jesus said we are to love our enemies (see Luke 6:35).
 - The question comes up: Can a soldier in combat love his enemies and still go to war?
 - The answer is: Yes, you should protect your country and love your enemies.
 - During World War II, the Japanese were listening to all of the U.S. military radio transmissions—they understood English.
 - But the Japanese did not understand the Navajo language; so the military used “code talkers” to speak the military plans in Navajo.
 - In addition, the Navajo spoke in their own code, like replacing *tank* with *turtle*.
 - It was a code inside of a code that the Japanese couldn't break.

- III. Jesus kept covenant.
 - Jesus had made covenant with His disciples, all of them. He loved them.
 - He washed Judas' feet along with the others.
 - Jesus never broke covenant with Judas. Even when Judas came with soldiers to capture Him, Jesus called Judas “Friend,” meaning a covenant friend.



- IV. Pray for government leaders whether you agree with them or not.
- Pray for pastors, don't bad-mouth them.
 - The reason some children don't want to go to church is that they hear their parents judge the pastor.
 - Pray for your pastor. Also, pray for the pastor of the church where some of your members have gone.
 - Love one another.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

God's Love is the most powerful thing we can access through Jesus Christ.

Write down ways you can use God's Love to impact others.





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DAY 5 – KEEP YOURSELF *IN* THE LOVE OF GOD

Love is the basis of all godly prosperity. Be rooted and grounded in love. You are most like your heavenly Father when you are giving. All the fruit of the spirit hang on love.

STUDY IT

- I. Love is the basis of all godly prosperity.
 - It's God's desire for His people to prosper in their spirits and souls, physically, financially, socially and in every realm of human life that exists (see 3 John 2).
 - Money is the lowest form of prosperity.
 - Jesus said, "Love The LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul and all your mind" (see Mark 12:30). Think love thoughts.
 - "And all your strength." Your wealth is the place where you can be an influence.
 - Walk in love. Imitate God (see Ephesians 5:1-2). He is our Instructor. He is Love.
- II. Be rooted and grounded in love (see Ephesians 3:17).
 - You cannot love without giving.
 - Always expect BLESSINGS, power, provision and the miraculous.
 - A pastor can become so possessive of his congregation that love will be choked out of the church. People will drift away.
 - Don't be an insecure pastor. Don't think you own the people. These are The LORD'S sheep.
 - The local church is a branch office of the kingdom of God.
- III. You are most like your heavenly Father when you are giving.
 - That's why Christmas is so enjoyable—we watch our loved ones open their gifts.
 - God is a Giver, and He wants to BLESS you and do good to you.
 - We are called "Beloved," to remind ourselves we are the beloved of the Father.
 - Don't seek ways to get the money in; seek ways to get The WORD out and the money will come.
 - Keep yourselves in the Love of God, looking for *chesed* (see Jude 21).





- If your prayers aren't working, examine your love walk.
 - Keep yourself in the attitude of loving and giving.
 - Build up yourselves on your most holy faith praying in the Holy Ghost (Jude 20). It separates you from unbelief.
- IV. All the fruit of the spirit hang on love (see Galatians 5:22-23).
- Nothing profits without love; however, with love, speaking in tongues is profitable (see 1 Corinthians 13:1-3).
 - Jesus said, "I have kept them in Your Name" (see John 17:12).
 - The Name of The LORD is a strong tower and the righteous run into it (see Proverbs 18:10).
 - He keeps us inside His Name, and His Name is Love.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

The way to keep yourself in the Love of God is to keep yourself in His WORD. Read God's WORD and surround yourself with His Love. Then His Love, through you, will affect others. Please send us your successes by [clicking here](#), or [contact us on Facebook™](#).

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