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LOVE vs Biblical Love

"My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth." (1 John 3:18)

The month of February is often viewed as the "Love Month." However, our world appears confused as to what "Real" love is. Far too many view love as to what they see on TV and in the movies, to them, romance is love, or lust is love, or sex is love, or obsession is love, or a heart throb is love. They think love is a feeling. They believe they can fall in love and fall out of love. The problem with this fleshly, carnal, human kind of love is that it is <u>conditional</u>. "As long as I stay young and beautiful, he will love me." "If I made more money, she would really love me." "If I say all the right things and do all the right things, she will fall all over me.

Human love requires others to meet our needs, and when we fall short of the other person's desires, standards, or wants, we are ousted, trashed, thrown out and kicked to the curb. Conditional love is no love at all, because all conditions can never be met perfectly.

On the other hand, Biblical love is a profound and multifaceted concept that is deeply rooted in the teachings of the Bible. It encompasses various types of love, each with its unique characteristics and significance. Here are the four primary types of love mentioned in the Bible:

- **Agape Love**: This is the highest and most selfless form of love. It is unconditional, sacrificial, and seeks the well -being of others without expecting anything in return. Agape love is exemplified by God's love for humanity and is described in 1 Corinthians 13:1.
- **Phileo Love**: This type of love refers to friendship or brotherly love. It is characterized by mutual affection, trust, and camaraderie. Phileo love exists between friends and companions who share common interests, experiences, and values.
- **Storge Love**: Storge love describes natural affection and loyalty within family relationships. It is the love that exists between parents and children, siblings, and other family members. This love is rooted in kinship bonds and shared experiences.
- **Eros Love**: Eros love refers to romantic or passionate love. It is characterized by desire, attraction, and intimacy between partners. Eros encompasses the physical, emotional, and spiritual aspects of romantic relationships, particularly between husband and wife.

These different types of love are meant to encourage and edify, reflecting God's love for us and how we should relate to Him and others. Understanding these distinctions helps us better grasp the depth and breadth of love as taught in the Bible.

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

(1 John 4:7)

In Christ service, Bro. Bobby

Reminder

New Office hours Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 3– Executive Team Semi-Annual Planning, 6:00 p.m.
- 3-Mission Board, 7:00 p.m.
- 7-8– KBC Youth Evangelism Summit (Severns Valley BC)
- 11- Women's Bible Study (James) Begins
- 13-15 Shepherding (Lexington)
- 16-Focus on WMU

2025 Associational Bible Drills April 13, 2:00 p.m. Liberty Point BC



If your church has students participating in **Youth** or **Children's** Bible Drills, please remember to register following your church drill. Registration must include the following:

Church Name
Participants Name
Participant Grade
Participant Address
Participant Phone
Version Used (KJV or CSB)

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY

Church	Regular	Special
Bethany	0	
Blue Spring	2,666.29	
Buffalo	0	
Cadiz	1,056.23	
Canton	865.88	250.00
Cerulean	499.00	
Crossroads	283.33	
Delmont	851.95	
Donaldson Creek	989.55	
East Cadiz	1,526.64	
Hurricane	400.00	
Liberty Point	1,194.72	
Locust Grove	1,033.00	
Maple Grove	400.00	
New Hope New Jerusalem	0	
New Light Oak Grove	100.00	
Ponderosa	440.12	
Rock Front	200.00	
Rocky Ridge	342.00	40.00
South Union	324.55	40.00
Wallonia	0	
Misc. Income	0	0
Total	13,173.26	290.00
10.001	13,173.20	13,463.26
Interest NOW Acc.	2.36	,
Deaf Ministry		250.00
Mission Project (Mev Fredenburg)		40.00
Wission Foject (Week Frederioung) 40.00		
Subtotals	13,175.12	290.00
Total income	-	13,465.62
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Monthly expense		\$11,199.65
Regular Fund		
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Beginning Balance		22,485.10
Interest Received		2.36
Gifts		13,315.26
Trans- Contingency Fund		(110.00)
Trans– Van Replacement Fund		(,
Trans- Building Maintenance Fund		(100.00)
Trans- Mev Fredenburg Fund		()
Expense Checks Written		(10,952.24)
Ending Balance		\$24,640.48
Treasurer: Louise Fuller 1/25/24		



Justin Carter– 2/12 Alisa Downing– 2/12 Kayla Choate– 2/14 Stacy Boone– 2/19