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LOVE

LOVE belongs to the Being of God and cannot be disassociated from His eternal being [1 John 4:7-8, 16]. His love never diminishes or improves. God is love whether or not He has a creature to love.

His nature is to bestow Himself, to give Him self; thus love is the motivation of divine integrity [John 3:16, Ephesians 2:4-5].

Through eternity God has had a perfect object of His love in Himself, there was never a time when each Member of the Godhead did not love His own righteousness and the righteousness of the other Members of the Trinity.

The only object ever worthy of God's love is God's own eternal, unchangeable, perfect and absolute righteousness. God's love was not less because there was no angelic or human object –it did not increase once there were creatures to love.

God's attribute of love is different from human love, which God does not possess. Even if we understand human love, which is not guarantee that we understand God's love. Divine love in its totality is beyond our comprehension since it contains no emotion or passionate desire.

God does not love us because of what we are or what we are not. He loves us because of WHO AND WHAT HE IS. He loves His own righteousness with an infinite love and since we possess His righteousness at the moment we believed in Christ, He loves us with infinite love [Gen. 15:6, Romans 5:3].

God's love is always related to His integrity thus He is very particular about whom He loves and admits into heaven. Jesus Christ is the only One worthy, and the only through His merits are we acceptable before God. There is absolutely nothing we can do to earn the love of God or the right to live with Him in eternity.

Only God is said to be love [1 John 4:8]. Our love is always related to an object. GOD IS LOVE does not only refers to His attributes of His essence, which is an integral part of WHO AND WHAT HE IS, but also that His love is the perfect example of genuine love.

God's love for God is subjectively internal within the essence of each members of the Godhead. God's love for God is objectively external between the Members of the Trinity merit. God's love remains eternal and changeless because He is eternal and unchangeable. Changes in man do not create changes in God's love. His love does not depend on us or any other created object.

God's justice and righteousness support and guarantee His love. His love also is directed toward His own character. He loves WHO AND WHAT HE IS [Psalm 11:7, 33:5, 37:28].

DIVINE IMPERSONAL LOVE for man is directed toward all members of the human race. It is unconditional and without any reference to the object. It emphasizes the Subject and the integrity of God.

DIVINE PERSONAL LOVE is directed only to the redeemed members of the human race and therefore, exclusive for believers only. It is conditional, putting emphasis to the object –the recipient of His righteousness. It emphasizes the positive volition of the saints toward God and His Bible doctrine.

Divine impersonal love toward mankind is manifested in divine action of delaying mankind's final judgment [Romans 2:4].

Divine personal love for believers is manifested in divine provision of salvation [1 John 2:2], logistical grace provision for believers in time [Romans 5:10, 17], and the super grace blessings of the spiritually mature [James 4:6]. Divine personal love for believers will continue to manifest in distribution of blessings in eternity