

LOVE

Most people would say LOVE is wonderful, but what is it? Let's look at nature a minute and see it in action. Love is when a mother bird takes care of her young faithfully, protecting, feeding and caring for them to the point of sacrificing herself for them. We see it in the birds, we see it in animals when a mother bear, a mother lioness, or any one of hundreds of mothers of various species, gives her very life for the sake of her offspring. This is all inbred from the loving hands of our creator God, who is defined in His word as Love itself. All loves comes from Him, and that is what He wants for everyone of His creation. He wants all of us to live with Him in a place where love rules, where everyone loves everyone, where there is no hate, murder, shame, sickness, tears of sorrow, or even death. The place is called Heaven! But, unfortunately, everyone is not going there. Why? Because to be qualified, one must be born with a loving nature, a nature that only wants to love and be loved, through and through. But, the

truth is, no one was ever born into this world with this kind of nature. Just look at any adorable baby. You will see that it has a very selfish nature, a nature that wants its own way, all the time. They are so cute, but, we must realize that when our first parents sinned against God by doing something that He had told them not to do, they suffered the consequences that He said would happen. They died, and death means separation. They didn't die physically immediately, but spiritually it was immediate, and gradually it became apparent physically, and they died. But, thanks be to God, before that He came to them, and showed them the way out of their sin, but all their children, and all of us are part of that human family, inherited the same fallen, or selfish nature that they had after their fall. God's law is that each species reproduces after its kind. But, dear friend, you can be born again, born from above, from heaven and get a new nature, a heavenly nature here and now that will qualify you to live forever in heaven with those who also have chosen a nature of love to rule their hearts and lives. To receive this nature, you must be sorry for all the things that you have

ever done that was against that nature of love, things against God, against your fellow man, even against yourself, and be willing to turn from those actions and be willing to receive a new nature, a divine nature of LOVE! That's what the Lord Jesus said to a very religious leader who came to Him one night, recognizing that the miracles He had been doing were obviously from God, and wanting to know more. The Lord Jesus told him that he had to be born again, born from above, to ever enter or even see the kingdom of God which God has prepared for all His children who will spend eternity with Him and one another, in a realm of total love, LOVE FOREVER! (John's Gospel, chapter 3)

When religious people asked what they must do to be saved from their acts of wrongdoing, they were told that they must "Repent, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of their sins, and then receive the Holy Spirit" (Acts, chapter 2). By this Spirit He would then give them this divine nature, give it to them right then! You, dear reader, can receive that same divine nature of

Love now and be qualified to live in the kingdom of God, the kingdom of love forever, if you do the same thing. Repent. It means to turn away from all unloving acts or thoughts. To turn from selfishness to unselfishness. To turn from your own ways to God's ways. Be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus, because He and He alone paid for your sins when He died on the cross. He was raised from the dead by the Father, and now is at His right hand in Heaven, waiting to return soon at the appointed time. When we are baptized (which means immersed in the original Greek language in which the New Testament was written) we are acting out our faith in the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and then we receive prayer for the receiving and infilling of the promised Holy Spirit. Do it today, repent of your sins, your selfishness, and turn to God with all your heart, and you too can be born again, with an eternal love that shall never leave you. Ask God to do it for you, and He will! Talk to Him, that's what prayer is, talking to God, and He will come into your life and make you a new person, a person of eternal love.

Repent of your old selfish nature and ask Him for a new divine nature of pure love today!

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