

Less Love - cont.

Some love the world more than God and so they forsake God for the world (2 Timothy 4:10). We need less love for the world.

Some love preeminence or first place over Jesus and so they follow themselves over Jesus (3 John 9). We need less love for first place.

Love More, Love Less

Living today is not just about love, but about the right kind of love for the right kind of things. Our love for God should be greater than our love for self (Revelation 12:11).

Our love for God should be greater than our love for money (1 Timothy 6:17; 1 Peter 1:18-19).

Our love for God should be greater than our love for evil (Psalm 97:10).

Our love for God should be greater than our love for pleasure (Ecclesiastes 2:1; 12:13-14).

Our love for God should be greater than our love for the world (1 John 2:15-17). True living is about more love for God and less love for everything else. - *Chris Reeves*

Sentence Sermons

- You cannot walk with God while running with the Devil.
- Nothing is religiously right that is morally wrong.
- A man who fears God need not fear men.
- It's hard for a child to learn to live right when he rarely sees it done.
- Walk in the light as God is in the light.

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

What We Need Is Less Love

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

- 1 John 2:15 -

What do we need the most in the world today? According to the old Bert Bacharach song, "What the world needs now is love, sweet love. It's the only thing that there's just too little of..." So, do we need more love? Well, yes and no. It depends upon what kind of love you are talking about.

Actually, in many cases today, we need less love (2 Timothy 3:1-9). Too many people loving the wrong things. This leads to terrible times, and so, we really need less love! What are some things today that we need to love less?

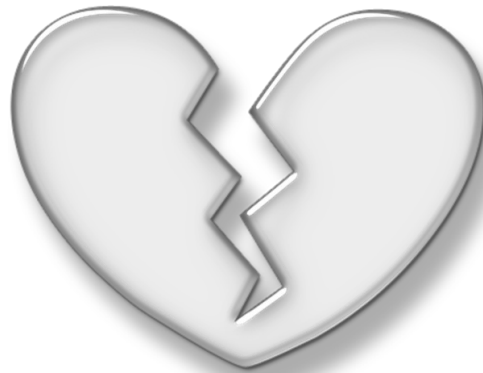
Less Love of Self

We need less love of self. It is true that we should care for ourselves and respect ourselves. Jesus said we are to love our neighbor as our self (Matthew 22:39). But, selfishness causes many troubles at home and in society (2 Timothy 3:2). Jesus also said we must learn to deny self (Luke 9:25; John 12:25) and Paul wrote that we must

not think more highly of self (Romans 12:3-5; Galatians 6:3). Paul also wrote that we should esteem others better than self (Philippians 2:3-4). Selfishness is the root of so many sins and offenses against mankind.

Less Love of Money

We need less love of money. Lovers of



money cause themselves and others many troubles (Luke 16:14; 2 Timothy 3:2). Paul wrote that the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil (1 Timothy 6:10; Hebrews 13:5). Greed and covetousness are the root of so many sins and offenses against mankind.

Less Love of Evil

We need less love of evil. Not loving good (light), but loving evil (darkness), leads to many troubles (John 3:19-21; 2 Timothy 3:3). Some love the hire of wrong-doing (2 Peter 2:15). Evil-doing is the root of so many sins and offenses against mankind.

Less Love of Pleasure

We need less love for ungodly pleasure. Loving pleasure (hedonism, lust, etc.) leads to many troubles (2 Timothy 3:4; Titus 3:3; James 4:1,3; 2 Peter 2:13). Loving pleasure chokes the word of God (Luke 8:14). Unwholesome pleasure is the root of so many sins and offenses against mankind.

Less Love

Yes, it's true. What we need today is less love. Some love family more than Jesus and they won't obey Jesus because of it (Matthew 10:37). We need less love of family.

Some love the glory (praise) that is of men more than God and so they won't obey God (John 12:43). We need less love of worldly praise.

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