

**General Topics :: Iniquity around the love of many gone cold****Iniquity around the love of many gone cold - posted by deltadom (), on: 2021/2/19 16:03**

Matt 23

12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

Joh 13:34 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

Rom 12:10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

Joh 13:35 By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another

In the society that we live in at the moment I personally feel as cold as sometimes as the snow that is outside
My battle with sins and things

We have had valentine's Day a Christian martyr who died on that day

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Valentine%27s_Day?wprov=sfla1

What I find this day is that I have worked in alot of place with non Christians girls that complain that they don't get any flowers and cards yet dont think about giving anything out

What I want to talk about the main subject that the love among Christians as is the church known more the love of the brethren as there are many Christians who are involved in the food bank whilst the members in the church

With the big thing with Ravi Zacharias going on at the moment which is abhorrant

As being a sinner saved by grace

In most churches most people do not know the love of God as they come to church each week as there is as much community as there is in the supermarket

In my previous church we used to have times of fellowship between the morning and evening service

At the moment I am so lonely I need a hug to get me through this pandemic , how many Christians are sitting in there room alone and they have not had contact in months but they live in your city or town do not have zoom or other things

I sometimes wish that the love of God could bombard my heart as I feel so dry and dead and have nothing to give
I have had my heart broken so much that cracked pottery or the dead sea Scrolls are in more pieces than my heart

Evangelism is good but if people have no place to go

If there is love amongst the brethren I have been in some churches which have been like mafia meetings and when you stand at the end of the meeting and noone talks to you or even cares . You may aswell be as a ghost at the end of the service.

There is the opposite of that when you can not end meetings and you can talk to 4am in the morning on biblical subjects

I myself think iniquity has made my love go cold as I have battled with things online and sometimes a person saying I love you or care for you may stop someone from sin

As some people think they are a wretched sinner I know I am a wretched sinner

It is hard when you sometimes know more about your work colleagues than you do about church , do you know the history of the person that you zoom chat or sit beside in church. Do you know how they came to know Jesus and family.

1 John 4

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

8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

12 No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in his world. note

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

19 We love him, because he first loved us.

20 If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? (Compare)

21 And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

How can we love God and hate our brothers
I wish I knew the love of God greater in my life

Re: Iniquity about the love of many gone cold - posted by passerby, on: 2021/2/19 17:11

I spent my initial years as a christian during the charismatic revival of the 80s. During that time, the non denominational character among evangelical churches was very strong. For a simple drop of encouragement that you wish, the churches that you only met for the first time will give you a bucket of support, even financial help is not an issue without you asking.

But now, I don't know if I can call that rivalry, but as if a drop of notice is too much to expect. I remember when the fear of terrorism is still virtually unknown, you can simply enter into a traditional cathedral and there alone in the midst of the huge hall rest or pour out your soul.

I was moving to and out of unfamiliar places for academic purposes during that time.

Re: Iniquity about the love of many gone cold - posted by billy1980 (), on: 2021/2/19 18:21

Hello brother you said "I wish I knew the love of God greater in my life."

Over the years I have certainly desired more and more love to flow through me to others. I have found maintaining quiet time to fellowship with our Lord daily helps tremendously! (Added, quiet time with the Lord will also help Loneliness!) His fellowship changes much, just bring repentance and the sacrifice of Christ blood as you enter into His presence, then praise and worship after that. I love to just be quiet before Him, then talk to Him about all things. To add to this dear brother seek the Spirit on where He wants you to read and start meditating on God's Word. It will build you up fast against outward sins, by renewing your mind.

Then take that peace and love He will give you and spread it to others.

Love and blessings through Christ brother!

Re: Iniquity about the love of many gone cold - posted by brothagary, on: 2021/2/20 4:51

Brother Dominic I'm probably going to sound like a broken record but you're not going to preach yourself closer to God, nor the holy spirit into your heart, my advice would be to stop preaching when you feel like this, if you been feeling like this for a while you just going to condemn yourself by trying to teach others the more you try to teach others when you're not in a good position the more you gonna come under chastisement from God and you're going to grieve the holy spirit, be quick to hear and slow to speak slow to anger the way that you rebuke people because they're not following your theology all your view on how we should read the Bible for instance the more you're going to bring yourself under God's displeasure and you will just keep grieving the spirit further and further and you'll feel dryer and dryer I gave up speaking for two years because I didn't feel like I was filled with the spirit enough you have to remember the Bible says emphatically that not many of us should be teachers knowing that we shall receive stricter judgement we will bring ourselves under stricter chastisement from God because he holds teachers to a much higher level and the reality of that is you also go through much harder trials and if you're not sensitive to holy spirit, and filled with that love the perfect love that casts out all I fear you're not going to deal with these things very well I mean look at Jesus even after he was baptized in the holy spirit the spirit lead him off to fast to get empowered even more so that he could deal with the attacks that would be coming his way from the devil and the demons and as soon as we open our mouth and start thinking we can teach others we come under the same type of attack brother I'm not saying this to hurt your feelings or to cause you any harm I want people to be walking in the holy spirit I want people to be filled with the love of God but preaching and teaching people doesn't bring the love of God into our lives just bring us under stricter judgement your best off separating yourself from that sort of thing and cry out to God for a season of fasting and praying fervently which will cause us to repent deeply and it's true deep repentance and praying and seeking his face that we will find the love of God that casts out the remaining fear and dryness and torment the we experience in our walk with God, if you hear things that you don't agree with just you're better off saying nothing and just scroll by I guarantee it is always sin in our life it causes dryness and that feeling of separation we need to recognise our sin and recognise that God wants to set us free from all sin. I pray that you come to know God in that deep way that you desire, or the deep way you may have known him in the past when you were first born again, first baptized in the spirit good, quality preaching and teaching exhortations comes through a prayer life that involves a deep communion with God there's no other way otherwise you will grieve the spirit, it's just pride in our life that wants to have the last say, it wants to tell everyone else how to live their Christian life we need to be practicing what we preach more over we need to be practicing what the apostle said and dying to self and experiencing that dying to self putting to death the deeds of the body when we do that, we have it all in the box, for the holy spirit to flow properly out of their mouths and for the power of God to affect other people from our words from our preaching or teaching or our exhortations and I do believe honestly because we're living in the last day or the last hour you could say last minute of the last hour God's hand has become stricter and his rod of correction has become more active then before and the longer we know Christ the stiffer the Rod becomes when he strikes us with that Rod of correction I pray God blesses us all with more knowledge and sensitivity to his holy spirit so that we don't grieve it or quench it because the last thing I want to do is push God out of my life through any type of Sin, blessings upon you Dominic in the name of Jesus Christ be filled with his holy spirit may you walk in the spirit as Stephen did who was a man not only filled with the spirit but he was full of the spirit a man who learnt how to continually fill himself to a point where he was full of the love of God and that love of God cast out all fear and he was able to be martyred and still loves his enemies that's what I'm crying out for now more so that I can truly handle anything that comes our way God bless us all that we may walk in the fullness of God fully pleasing him and that we may truly keep our selves unspotted from the world and visit orphans and widows in their afflictions so that we are truly living a proper religion a true religion undefiled before God.

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Re: - posted by deltadom (), on: 2021/2/20 11:29

thankyou for your encouragement but it also in an age when social distancing is the norm .

I have been to some churches where the graveyard is more friendly than the people inside the church or never getting invited back

If we cannot love the brethren how we can love our enemies

Re: - posted by brothagary, on: 2021/2/20 18:56

Blessings, just beware, brother, that ministry and fellowship, becomes an idol, and God is showing many brothers that through this pandemic, we must seek for the gift giver and prove our love to him, God shows us when our hearts have been set on other things, even when they are his blessings and helps, we rely too much on men and God is teaching today to get our priority in order, we need to be sure that God is at the top where he belongs ,,,,