

WHEN LOVE IS WRONG

Passing on the Faith, Part 4

2 Timothy 3:1-5

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A Society's Success Is Measured By _____

If I speak in human or angelic tongues, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

1 Corinthians 13:1-3

Right love is love for _____

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." Matt 22:37-40

Love In The Last Days (2 Timothy 3:1-5)

But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God—having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people. 2 Timothy 3:1-5

This is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Acts 2:16-17

In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who he appointed the heir of all things and through whom he made the universe. Hebrews 1:1-2

Wrong Loves

1. The Love of _____

People will be lovers of themselves... Verse 2

2. The Love Of _____

People will be... lovers of money... Verse 2

- a. Do you live with a sense of contentment?
- b. Do you make comparisons?
- c. Do you honor God with what you have?

3. The Love Of _____

People will be... lovers of pleasure, rather than lovers of God. Verse 4

- a. Stop idolizing your body.
- b. Stop misusing your body.
- c. Start dedicating your body to the Lord.

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is true worship. Romans 12:1-2

**All scriptures from TNIV unless otherwise noted*