

If You Love Me

John 14:21-24

Love Defined

(All of the characteristics of love apply to God, for God is love).

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 KJV

- 4) Charity suffers long, and is kind (q5541-benevolent); charity envies not; charity vaunts (q4068-boast) not itself, is not puffed up (q5448-haughty, proud),
- 5) Doth not behave itself unseemly (q807-unbecoming), seeks not her own, is not easily provoked, thinks (q3049-to take inventory) no evil;
- 6) Rejoices not in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth;
- 7) Bears (q4721-to cover over) all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things.
- 8) Charity never fails: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

1 Corinthians 13:4-10 BBE

- 4) Love is never tired of waiting; Love is kind; Love has no envy; Love has no high opinion of itself, Love has no pride;
- 5) Love's ways are ever fair, it takes no thought for itself; it is not quickly made angry, it takes no account of evil;
- 6) It takes no pleasure in wrongdoing, but has joy in what is true;
- 7) Love has the power of undergoing all things, having faith in all things, hoping all things.
- 8) Though the prophet's word may come to an end, tongues come to nothing, and knowledge have no more value, Love has no end. 9) For our knowledge is only in part, and the prophet's word gives only a part of what is true:
- 10) But when that which is complete is come, then that which is in part will be no longer necessary.

The spirit of love is to be applied toward all people, whether they be sinners or saints. The spirit of love is the spirit of God and of Christ, the Comforter.

John 14:15-27

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John 16:7-11 KJV

- 7) Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. 8) And when he is come, he will reprove (q1651-convict) the world of **sin**, and of **righteousness**, and of **judgment**: 9) Of sin, because they believe not on me;*
- 10) Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;*
- 11) Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.*

In other words, the world will be convicted of what is wrong, what is right, and the final outcome of such decisions. Revelation chapters eight, nine, and eleven depict this truth.