

I Corinthians 13:13 And now abideth faith, hope, charity, (Love in Action) these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

LOVE IS THE REASON...
HOPE EXPECTS TO SEE IT...
FAITH MAKES IT POSSIBLE

1- HOPE IS OF THE MIND... THEREFORE IT HAS NO CREATIVE POWER...
HOPE HAS NO SUBSTANCE OF IT'S OWN...

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen

HOPE FEEDS ON AND GETS IT'S STRENGTH AND VISION FROM THE WORD OF GOD (THE PROMISES OF GOD)

(Romans 4:18 is Talking about Abraham)
Who against hope (that is natural hope) believed in or Put his Trust in (supernatural hope) that he might become the father of many nations; according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.

WHAT IS SUPERNATURAL HOPE/

- 1- Joyful Expectation of something good happening/
- 2- To Anticipate, usually with Pleasure...
- 3- To Count On God's Faithfulness to fulfill His Word...
- 4- Preparing for Next...
- 5- Being On Ready Mode...

Listen to Psalms 42:11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted or why are you quietly quitting within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

THE LORD SAID TO ME, SINCE HOPE IS OF THE MIND...
YOU NEED TO SHUT DOWN THE NOISE IN YOUR HEAD IJMN AND DISCIPLINE YOURSELF THINK ON THESE THINGS...

Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

IN OTHER WORDS... LET YOUR MIND BE OCCUPIED WITH GOD'S THOUGHTS INSTEAD OF DISCOURAGING AND DEPRESSING THOUGHTS...

LASTLY, SUPERNATURAL HOPE HOPE NEVER TAKES IT'S EYES OFF OF GOD OR THE PROMISE OF GOD OR OFF OF THE GOAL/ THE OBJECTIVE/ THE PRIZE... FOR

THATS WHAT KEEPS HOPE ALIVE AND STRONG...

Here's a scripture that always helped me in my walk with God... Psalms 119:49
Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope...

2- I Corinthians 13:13 And now abideth faith, hope, charity.

- 1- FAITH IS OF THE HEART!
- 2- FAITH IS GOD'S CREATIVE POWER!
- 3- FAITH IS VOICE ACTIVATED!

Jesus told his disciples... HAVE FAITH IN GOD! Why?

1- Faith in God Will have you live even when doctors say you're going to die... I am a Witness!

2- Faith in God will have you prosper even when everyone around you including your loved ones say you will always be poor... I am a Witness!

3- Faith in God will make you successful even when your circumstances say you will Fail... I am a Witness!

4- Faith in God will have you not just Survive but Thrive in difficult times... I am a Witness!

5- Faith in God will move Mountains

6- Faith in God will Clam the troubled Sea

7- Faith in God will take you further than you ever dreamed... Have you Climb Higher than you ever imagined. Witness... Take you places you never even knew Existed...
I am a Witness!!!

8- Faith in God will turn you into a World Changer, A History Maker, A Sign and a Wonder to many... I am a Witness!

This is why I encourage you today to HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

3- I Corinthians 13:13 And now abideth faith, hope, charity, (Love in Action) these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

For a few moments I want to teach you on 3 different types of Love...

1- Love is undoubtedly the most Powerful word in the World.

I John 4:7-8 "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love."

Then in John 15:13 Jesus himself said. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

2- Love in our English language is also the most confusing word in our language... for example; someone will say,
I love my car/ my horse/ my dog/ I love ice cream, etc, etc...And then at the same time you whisper into that special someone in your life's ear... I LOVE YOU!

So today I will quickly share with you 3 different types of love in order to try to get a better understanding of that Amazing Word...

1- Romantic Love... or as some call it, puppy Love.

That feeling that you get when you meet that special person in your life... that you just can't get out of your mind.

2- This kind of love, when it happens, you never think is going to end... you never believe that it will ever come to an end... but studies show that this kind of love usually last one month to the most 2 years, and then you crash or come back down to planet earth...

3- here's the problem... most people never ever planned on how to deal with conflict after the honeymoon is over... cause they thought this kind of love would never end...

4- and because people didn't prepare for the afterwards or the conflict that would eventually arise... most relationships then fall apart...

2- Second type of Love is... Love as an Attitude!

An Attitude is a Fixed way of thinking... or you thought life turned inside out...

The attitude of love is the exact opposite of the attitude of selfishness...

When Love is your attitude, you always look for ways to enrich and benefit others even at your expense because love always desires to give...

But when you have a selfish attitude, your always looking to see what you can get... Because selfishness desire is to benefit self at the expense of others because selfishness desires to get...

3- The third type of Love is The Emotional need for Love...

I believe in every child there's an emotional love tank that needs to be filled... and when that tank is full the child grows up to be sound and successful... when it is empty that child many times goes on to be troubled in their life...

Now in a marriage relationship how do you keep love alive after you come down from the high of a romantic Love?

First you need to learn how to deal with conflict according to the Bible...

Prayer and Fasting

Binding and Loosing

by practicing listening twice as much as you do talking...

by offering Forgiveness when ever is needed...

by resolving your anger before you go to bed...

by being Gracious, merciful and Kind

By Learning and Practicing The 5 Love languages

We all have a special love language that speaks loudest to us...

1- Words of Affirmation

I Corinthians 8:1

Proverbs 18:21

2- Receiving gifts...

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

Proverbs 19:6 every man is a friend to him that giveth gifts.

And of Course John 3:16

3- Acts of Service...

Mark 9:35 And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all.

Jesus our perfect leader and example demonstrated Acts of servant when he asked for a basin poured water into it and put others first by washing the disciples feet. Why?

A secure leader is into towels an insecure leader is into titles. Secure Leaders are people conscious insecure leaders are position conscious. Only the secure will stretch and serve, only the secure will stoop and wash dirty feet...This is why Jesus is our perfect leader and example...

4- Quality Time...

5- Physical Touch Matthew

8:2-3 "And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed." Song... He touched me!

1- I may not always know what tomorrow holds, but thank God I know who holds my tomorrow... therefore my heart is at rest trusting in the Lord. You ask me, what makes you so confident? The Bible tells us that Not even One Word that He has ever spoken has fallen to the ground powerless... Psalms 34:7 O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. (Song... He has the whole world in his hand)

2- Drawing Honey out of the Rock... You ask how?

I always teach people... when you read the Bible you come up with Questions... when you study the Bible you come up with answers... but when you meditate in the Bible you come up with Ammunition... and thats what shoots the devil down... that's how you draw Honey out of the Rock... never forget this... meditation is what leads us to revelation, revelation leads to manifestation, manifestation leads to mighty demonstrations of the Spirit and of Power...

So my prayer for you today is, that you will not only read the word or even study the word, but that you will take it one step further and begin to meditate in the Word so that you can begin to Draw Honey out of the Rock and experience an inner satisfaction you've never known before....

3- I Live Under the Canopy of the Mercies of God... INS-PITE OF ALL MY FAILURES HE STILL Loves Me/ HE STILL USES ME... etc, etc...

4- Today Matters... Jesus taught... don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own troubles and challenges... just learn to celebrate and make the most of today...

In Psalms 145:2 David said, Every day will I bless thee;

In Matthew Jesus taught us to pray... Give us this day our daily bread.

Then we have the Song of Songs...

This is the day that the Lord has made... I will rejoice and be glad in it... listen, yesterday is in the Tomb, tomorrow is in the Womb, Today is the only life you have... Today, Yes Today, God will Do Great Things... and so Today MATTERS!

Throughout my life I have discovered, We over exaggerate yesterday, over estimate tomorrow and under estimate today... I believe the reason for that is, most people spend their day repairing, simply because yesterday, they didn't do it right... so they always seem to be playing catch up... on the other hand Successful people are Preparing; laying the groundwork for for what lies ahead for they made wise decisions early in their life and managed those decisions the rest of their lives... let me encourage you to discipline yourself to make the most of today... for Today is the only life you have... and so Yes, Today MATTERS!

Psalms 145:2 Every day will I bless thee;

5- Jesus our perfect leader and example...

Jesus taught, If you want want to be first in the Kingdom you must be first be willing to be last, if you want to lead you must first be willing to serve... I have discovered, A secure leader is into towels, for he has a servants heart, an insecure leader is into titles, for he only has himself on his mind... Secure Leaders are people conscious in-secure leaders are position conscious. You know who they are, They're always jockeying for position... what a shame... but Only the secure will stretch and serve, only the secur