

New Revelation of God's Love?

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In a weekly prayer meeting I attended, a preacher made the statement that, while he was praying one night, God spoke to him, saying that what our community needs is a new revelation of God's love. I do not know exactly what he meant when he said that God spoke to him.

I was told of an actual event which the late George DeHoff attended. The majority of those attending that meeting claimed latter day revelations, speaking in tongues, etc. A gentleman in the crowd jumped to his feet and spouted off a bunch of gibberish that they called "speaking in tongues." Upon the completion of his so-called "prophecy," the moderator asked for someone who could interpret the message. George DeHoff rose to

the platform and proclaimed, "What this man just said was, 'I am a fool, and what I just said made no sense whatsoever.'"

Regardless the intent of the preacher who reported what God told him, I was more concerned about the message he said God gave him.

A **NEW** revelation of God's love? What's wrong with the "**old**" one? How can He do better than Calvary? What more are we wanting . . . or needing?

After the shock subsided and I analyzed what the preacher had said, I decided his remark could not go without a challenge. So I calmly requested of the group the permission to read two verses of Scripture. When the request to speak was granted, I read

Romans 5:8 and 1 John 4:9 & 10, which read,

"God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

"By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins."

After reading these Scriptures, I made a simple statement: "Now there's the divine revelation of God's love that will preach." Let's keep telling the **OLD, OLD** story of Jesus and His love, sweetest that ever was heard.

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