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WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT? (PART II)

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The renowned singer Tina Turner does a very popular song that asks the question, "What's love got to do with it?" And the response says that 'love is just a second-hand emotion.' Primarily the song is written to describe the woes of being in a love relationship. For the most part people today treat intimate relationships rather haphazardly. The biggest problem is the relationship is usually not focused on the other person, but on one's self. Self-gratification is the driving force, therefore most relationships do not survive. The same holds true when we speak about our love relationship with the Lord. If it's self-gratification one is looking for, then the relationship is off to a rocky start.



Actually, love has everything to do with a relationship. Without love as the catalyst, then it's a disaster waiting to happen. We often miss out on a real loving relationship with the Lord and others because we speak that we love, but our love is often on a second-hand level.

"Love does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking..."
1 Corinthians 13:5 (AMP).

Too many times we are all guilty of expecting the one(s) who love us to cater to us and conform to all of our demands. When we love the Lord unselfishly then we can also love others unselfishly. That's a big challenge for most of us. Our human nature wants to be adored and get what it wants. That's not operating in love, it's operating in self-seeking.

We need to take a breath the next time the Lord asks us to do something or our loved ones ask us to do something; blow it out, exhaling self-seeking. Love gives even if nothing is given in return. Note that Jesus gave His life for all mankind, but not all mankind will accept His gift of love. He gave knowing that all would not give their love back to Him.

What's love got to do with it? Everything!
God is love and if we have His Spirit then we are equipped to Love unselfishly.

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