THE GOD KIND OF LOVE

Text: I Thess. 3:12 - "And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you."

John 15:12 - "This is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you."

John 13:35 - "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

1 Cor. 13:13 - "And now abideth faith, hope, charity (love), these three, but the greatest of these is charity." (love)


Galatians 5:22 - "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith."

HOW CAN WE DEVELOPE THE GOD KIND OF LOVE?


3) Looking To Jesus As Our Example. Heb. 12:2 "Looking unto Jesus, the Author, and Finisher of our faith..."
   What would Jesus do? Think about the love of God, the love of Jesus, and consider what Jesus would do and how He would react in the situation.

4) Practicing And Applying - I Cor. 13:4-7 - Daily. The NIV version of this portion of scripture says it best in the interpretation. Read it. Meditate on it. Apply it. Live it out!

   John 3:16 - "For God so loved the world, that He gave...!"

Remember, love always gives. God's love gives with the right heart and motive behind the giving.

Matthew 10:8 (b) - "... freely, ye have received, freely give."
A person walking in God's love is a giving person who doesn't need to be reminded to be a giver. Their giving heart is an overflow of what's inside of them. (See: II Cor. 9:7) Actually, we're not talking about tithing here. We are talking being a giver that makes it a lifestyle of giving (beyond tithes) in other manifestations, with no strings attached, either. GOD sees the giver's heart. GOD is keeping records in heaven. GOD sees the motives why we give and why we want to bless others. It is GOD who is really using us, anyway. Give GOD the glory in all you do! (Col. 3:17; 23 & 24) Tithing is just prerequisite and the foundation for a giver to get started on his/her path to blessings, favor and operating in the love of God the Bible way.

6) Be Thankful. I Thess. 5:8 - "In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

A thankful person operating in the love of God, is always a thankful and happy :) person.

Thankful people are loving.
Thankful people are happy.
Thankful people are anointed.
Thankful people are appreciative to others.
Thankful people are blessed by God.
Thankful people are people others want to be around, because they lift others up.
Thankful people are unselfish.
Thankful people are patient and kind.
Thankful people are pleasing to God.
Thankful people are wise in the spirit.
Thankful people are not depressed.
Thankful people are heaven-minded.
Thankful people are not moved by circumstances.

ARE YOU A THANKFUL PERSON? ARE YOU A PERSON WHO IS DAILY WALKING IN THE GOD KIND OF LOVE? IT'S A LOVE THAT FORGIVES, IS PATIENT, KIND, LONGSUFERING, GENTLE, AND PLEASES GOD BY A PURE HEART THAT DESIRES TO OBEY HIM IN EVERY AREA OF YOUR LIFE. WATCH YOUR WORDS. WATCH YOUR EMOTIONS WITH OTHERS. LET JESUS LOVE SHINE OUT FROM YOU ALL THE TIME.

I Corinthians 13:13 - "...but the greatest of these is love."