James Chapter 5
Love: The Battleground of Faith

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John 15:12-13 (NASB95)

12 "This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. 13 "Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends.

Luke 6:32, 35 (NASB95)

32 "If you love those who love you, what credit is [that] to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ... 35 "But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil [men.]

1) **Loving God means we _____ in God's _____.**

Luke 12:18-21 (NASB95)

18 "Then he said, 'This is what I will do: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years [to come;] take your ease, eat, drink [and] be merry."' 20 "But God said to him, 'You fool! This [very] night your soul is required of you; and [now] who will own what you have prepared?' 21 "So is the man who stores up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

Matthew 6:19-21 (NASB95)

19 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; 21 for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

2) **Loving God means we are willing to _____ our _____ _____.**

1Corinthians 13:4-5 (NASB95)

4 Love is patient, love is kind [and] is not jealous; love does not brag [and] is not arrogant, 5 does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong [suffered,]

2Timothy 3:1-5 (NASB95)

1 But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. 2 For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3 unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good, 4 treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; Avoid such men as these.

3) **Loving God is done in _____ and _____.**

Romans 12:4-5 (NASB95)

4 For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, 5 so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

1Thessalonians 5:12-15 (NASB95)

4) **Loving God is about _____.**

Luke 17:3-4 (NASB95)

3 "Be on your guard! If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. 4 "And if he sins against you seven times a day, and returns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' forgive him."

Matthew 18:15-17, 22 (NASB95)