

WORK 4 A LIVING

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

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KINGDOM PRINCIPLE:

Matthew 22:37-40

Jesus replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.'

This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'



This principle is the irreducible minimum of God's commands.

What does it mean to love?

Thomas Aquinas - To love is to consistently will and do the good of the other.

What is "the good" for the other person?

**Isaiah 61 - The Spirit of the
Sovereign LORD is on me,
because the LORD has
anointed me to proclaim good
news to the poor.**

**Isaiah 61 - He has sent me to
bind up the brokenhearted, to
proclaim freedom for the
captives and release from
darkness for the prisoners**

Isaiah 1:17

Learn to do good.

Seek justice.

Help the oppressed.

Defend the cause of orphans.

Fight for the rights of widows.

Learn. Seek. Help. Defend. Fight

1. Love people - meet their needs
2. Love people into salvation - teach them to love others
3. Love people after salvation - teach them God's ways

LOVE GOD
LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR
Matthew 22:36-40



OBEDIENCE
If you love Me, you will obey Me
John 14:15



Therefore
LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

Matthew 6:23

And if the light you think you have is actually darkness, how deep that darkness is.

- Living a life of thriving, according to God's purposes and plans
- Communing with God
- Hearing His voice
- Getting wisdom from God on a daily basis
- Working
- Impacting others to do the same

Loving Completely

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DISCIPLING them

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Lies changed into TRUTH

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UNTIL IT SHOWS and BEYOND

Joshua 5:9-12 :Then the Lord said to Joshua,
“Today I have rolled away the shame of your
slavery in Egypt.”The very next day they
began to eat unleavened bread and roasted
grain harvested from the land. No manna
appeared on the day they first ate from the
crops of the land, and it was never seen
again.

Isaiah 58:6

Untie the chords

Loosen the chains

Set the captives free

Break the Yoke

Is Apartheid/
Slavery/Colonialism
a forgivable
offense?

Matthew 18 - The unforgiving debtor

“In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Blame disempowers us into Dependency and Lack

Choices:

- *Wisdom*
- Consequence

- *Discipline*
- Regret





Our approach at W4AL - to transform a nation through loving thoroughly

1. Attract people - meet needs
2. Change **WORLDVIEWS**
3. Get people **WORKING**
4. Get people **DISCIPLINED** - positioned **UNDER** God, in relationship with Him, and **DISCIPLINING** others

Ezekiel 47: 9 There will be swarms of living things wherever the water of this river flows. Fish will abound in the Dead Sea, for its waters will become fresh. Life will flourish wherever this water flows..... 12 Fruit trees of all kinds will grow along both sides of the river. The leaves of these trees will never turn brown and fall, and there will always be fruit on their branches. There will be a new crop every month, for they are watered by the river flowing from the Temple. The fruit will be for food and the leaves for healing.”

Revelation 22

Then the angel showed me a river with the water of life, clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb. 2' It flowed down the center of the main street. On each side of the river grew a tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit,[a] with a fresh crop each month. The leaves were used for medicine to heal the nations.

Isaiah 60:22 - NLT

“The smallest family will become a thousand people, and the tiniest group will become a mighty nation. At the right time, I, the Lord, will make it happen.”



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