**Notes:**

****April 7th. 2019**



**What difference does it make? Part - 5**

***“Love”***

Welcome

The first Sunday of the Rest (Best) of your life

2019

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***“Love”***

**1 Corinthians 13:13**

*And now abide faith, hope, love, these three;*

*but the greatest of these is love.*

Is love all we need?

**How to tell whether our relationship with God is ‘love based’?**

***1 John 4:19***

*We love Him because He first loved us.*

From duty to delight

Or

From delight to duty?

Our obedience is a product of an abiding love relationship.

(It springs from a new heart)

**2 Peter 1:2-4**

We partake and receive God’s capacity to love.

**Remember it’s all in the ‘genes’**

**Titus 3:5**

*not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,…*

**God pours His love into us at the new birth**

**Romans 5:5**

*Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.*

Revelation to our hearts and renewal to our minds.

**‘Know about’ vs ‘know’**

**John 3:3**

*Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”*

* Nicodemus had scriptural knowledge about God, but still needed to know God personally or experientially.

**John 17:3**

*And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.*

* To ‘know’ is to experience intimacy.

Prayer sure helps to grow in love: **Ephesians 3:14-19**

**Final Take Away & Communion**

We are more than conquerors in difficult situations.

**Romans 8:35-39**

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? (for us) Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?*

***37****Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.*