

LOVE = ALOHA Kahu Billy Mitchell, November 13, 2022

1. Where Does Love Come From? The Complete Circle from God to Everyone in Between and Back to God!

1 John 4:7-9 NIV ⁷Dear friends, let us love one another, **for love comes from God.** Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, because **God is love.** ⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

John 3:16 NIV For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

JESUS John 15:13 NASB Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends

The Greatest Commandment . . . Mark 12:28b-31 NIV "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

²⁸"The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ²⁹Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

Three (3) Kinds of Love. 1. Philia, Phileo 2. Eros 3. Agape

Agape Love . . . 1 Corinthians 13:1-8,13 **IF** I speak in the tongues^(s) of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ⁸**Love never fails.** But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ¹³**And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.**

God's Unconditional Love is a Fruit of His Spirit not of the emotions of man! (a spiritual weapon)

Galatians 5:22-23 NASB ²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, self-control; **against such things there is no law.**

2. How do I Get God's Unconditional Love? . . . When you are desperate! . . . Only in His Presence!"

Psalms 42:1 NIV As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.

Matthew 5:6 NIV Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Jeremiah 29:13 NIV You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

Hannah prayed . . . the woman with the issue of blood . . . the woman at the well, she wanted love desperately

John 4:11,10,14b NIV ¹¹"Sir," the woman said, . . . Where can you get this living water?"

¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water. . . . ^{14b}Indeed the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.

Study the Word of the Living God! . . . speak his language back to Him and the devil!

Colossians 3:16 NASB Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms *and* hymns *and* spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Luke 1:37 NIV "For no word from God will ever fail." (Philippians 4:19 NIV)

Proverbs 3:1-2 NIV My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, ²for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity.

"ALOHA KE KAH I KE KAHII!"

In Conclusion:

"Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.¹⁵ He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation." Psalm 91:14-16