

To love the Lord
Jesus crazily

The most romantic
and the most
bothersome life

John 14:15-31

- 15 If you love Me, keep My commandments.
16 And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, so that He may be with you forever,
17 the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive because it does not see Him nor know Him. But you know Him, for He dwells with you and shall be in you.
18 I will not leave you orphans. I will come to you.
19 Yet a little while and the world does not see Me any more. But you see Me. Because I live, you shall live also.

- 15 Si vous m'aimez, gardez mes commandements.
16 Et moi, je prierai le Père, et il vous donnera un autre consolateur, afin qu'il demeure éternellement avec vous,
17 l'Esprit de vérité, que le monde ne peut recevoir, parce qu'il ne le voit point et ne le connaît point; mais vous, vous le connaissez, car il demeure avec vous, et il sera en vous.
18 Je ne vous laisserai pas orphelins, je viendrai à vous.
19 Encore un peu de temps, et le monde ne me verra plus; mais vous, vous me verrez, car je vis, et vous vivrez aussi.

20 At that day you shall know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.

21 He who has My commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves Me. And he who loves Me shall be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will reveal Myself to him.

22 Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, Lord, how is it that You will reveal Yourself to us and not to the world?

23 Jesus answered and said to him, If a man loves Me, he will keep My Word. And My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him.

20 En ce jour-là, vous connaîtrez que je suis en mon Père, que vous êtes en moi, et que je suis en vous.

21 Celui qui a mes commandements et qui les garde, c'est celui qui m'aime; et celui qui m'aime sera aimé de mon Père, je l'aimerai, et je me ferai connaître à lui.

22 Jude, non pas l'Iscariot, lui dit: Seigneur, d'où vient que tu te feras connaître à nous, et non au monde?

23 Jésus lui répondit: Si quelqu'un m'aime, il gardera ma parole, et mon Père l'aimera; nous viendrons à lui, et nous ferons notre demeure chez lui.

- 24 He who does not love Me does not keep My Words, and the Word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me.
- 25 I have spoken these things to you, being present with you.
- 26 But the Comforter, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things and bring all things to your remembrance, whatever I have said to you.
- 27 Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

- 24 Celui qui ne m'aime pas ne garde point mes paroles. Et la parole que vous entendez n'est pas de moi, mais du Père qui m'a envoyé.
- 25 Je vous ai dit ces choses pendant que je demeure avec vous.
- 26 Mais le consolateur, l'Esprit Saint, que le Père enverra en mon nom, vous enseignera toutes choses, et vous rappellera tout ce que je vous ai dit.
- 27 Je vous laisse la paix, je vous donne ma paix. Je ne vous donne pas comme le monde donne. Que votre cœur ne se trouble point, et ne s'alarme point.

- 28 You have heard how I said to you, I go away and I am coming to you again. If you loved Me, you would rejoice because I said, I go to the Father, for My Father is greater than I.
- 29 And now I have told you before it happens, so that when it happens you might believe.
- 30 I shall no longer speak many things with you, for the ruler of this world comes, and he has nothing in Me.
- 31 But that the world may know that I love the Father, and as the Father has given Me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go away from here.

- 28 Vous avez entendu que je vous ai dit: Je m'en vais, et je reviens vers vous. Si vous m'aimiez, vous vous réjouiriez de ce que je vais au Père; car le Père est plus grand que moi.
- 29 Et maintenant je vous ai dit ces choses avant qu'elles arrivent, afin que, lorsqu'elles arriveront, vous croyiez.
- 30 Je ne parlerai plus guère avec vous; car le prince du monde vient. Il n'a rien en moi;
- 31 mais afin que le monde sache que j'aime le Père, et que j'agis selon l'ordre que le Père m'a donné, levez-vous, partons d'ici.

Loving the Lord

- If you **love Me**, keep My commandments
- He who has My commandments and keeps them, he it is who **loves Me**. And he who **loves Me** shall be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will reveal Myself to him.
- Jesus answered and said to him, If a man **loves Me**, he will keep My Word. And My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him.

The Son loves the Father

- But that the world may know that **I love the Father**, and as the Father has given Me commandment, even so I do.
- Jesus as the Son loved the Father
- He spent time with the Father
- He withdrew to pray to the Father
- He spent all night in prayer to the Father before choosing the twelve apostles
- He lived because of the Father (John 6:57)
- He did not do anything apart from the Father

Do we spend time with the Lord?

- Tell the Lord that we love Him
- Allow ourselves to be drawn to the Lord by His love
- Allow our hearts to be melted by the Lord's love
- Learn to sing to the Lord
- Sometimes we are too analytical
- We want to figure everything out in a logical way
- We like to calculate how much we are able to give to the Lord
- Yet we need to let ourselves be captivated by the Lord's love and His beauty
- We need to be consumed by the Lord's love
- To waste ourselves on the Lord

The proof or test of love

- If you love Me, **keep My commandments**
- Jesus answered and said to him, If a man loves Me, **he will keep My Word**
- But that the world may know that I love the Father, and **as the Father has given Me commandment, even so I do.**

The Son does the will of the Father

- The Son keeps the commandment of the Father
- Not out of a sense of obligation or duty, but out of a relationship of love, of intimacy, of oneness
- This love can be witnessed by the world
- For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16)

- The Lord does not say, « You must keep my commandments »
- Rather, He says, « If you love me, keep my commandments »
- Love is the motive, the reason, the source, of the keeping of the commandments
- It is not obligation
- It is not the law
- Yet it is at the same time an acid test of our love

To be a crazy lover of Jesus

- Keep the Lord's commandments
- Keep the Lord's word
- To keep, in Greek, is to hold fast, to watch, to keep from loss or injury, to detain
- When the Lord speaks to us through His word, we need to keep that word
- We must not let that word fall to the ground
- The more we love the Lord, the more the Lord will speak to us
- The more we love the Lord, the more romantic our life will be
- The more the Lord will touch us in areas that we never thought likely

A crazy lover becomes an abode

- Jesus answered and said to him, If a man loves Me, he will keep My Word. And **My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him.**

Love is the door that opens the way for the Lord to be comfortable in us

- The Lord is able to make His abode in us
- He has the complete freedom
- He is not limited by us
- The Father will love us
- The Father and Son will come to us and make their abode with us

The Father's love for us here is based on our keeping His word

- Does God love the whole world? Yes! Absolutely!
- Does He love us unconditionally? Absolutely!
- Yet in v. 23, the Father's love is contingent upon our love for the Son and our keeping of His word

- I will not leave you orphans.
I will come to you
- The Lord comes to us as the Spirit
- He comes to us as the Spirit of truth, to lead us into all the reality of what He is speaking to us
- He comes to us as the Comforter, the Advocate

- But the Comforter, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things and bring all things to your remembrance, whatever I have said to you.
- the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive because it does not see Him nor know Him. But you know Him, for He dwells with you and shall be **in you**.

He comes to us as peace

- Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you
- The peace the Lord gives is according to His nature, who He is
- Many times, we have no peace after saying something or acting independently of the Lord
- This is because the Lord's peace is operating in us, to cause us to listen to and obey His word of peace
- The more we love Him, the less peace we have when we do not listen to His word

How much do I love the Lord Jesus?

- The more I love Jesus, the more He will speak to me
- The more He speaks to me, the more accountable I am to Him
- The less peace I have to go against His commandments
- At the same time, the more He gives Himself to me as peace as I keep His commandments
- The Lord never forces us, but His love is compelling and constraining
- We may say « no » to Him, but His love persists and constrains us to love Him and to yield to Him

Love the Lord Jesus	Keep His commandments	We become an abode for the Father and the Son
Spending time with Jesus	hold fast, to watch, to keep from loss or injury, to detain	The Son and the Father have the freedom to come to us and live in us and dwell in us
Singing to the Lord; being touched by the Lord's love; being drawn by the Lord's love and beauty; He becomes our love and treasure	When the Lord speaks to us, we need to keep that word The more we love the Lord, the more He will speak to us The more we love the Lord, the more romantic our life will be The more the Lord will touch us in areas that we never thought likely	They will love us; They will come to us as the Comforter; They will come to us as the Spirit of truth, to lead us into all reality; They will give us their peace, not as the world gives
Telling the Lord that we love Him	The more He speaks, the more accountable we are	We become their love and satisfaction