



## I. INTRO

### A. Love quotient

**Quotient:** indicates the presence or degree of a characteristic in someone or something, the degree to which a specific quality or characteristic exists.

**LQ: Your love quotient indicates the presence or degree of God's love in you. It is the degree to which God's love is made known by you.**

### B. God loves the world

**1 John 4:16 (NKJV) And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.**

**1 John 2:4-6 (NKJV) He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.**

### C. Walk this way

- "If you say, "I know Him"... you should walk like He walked"
  - In between is the phrase, "whoever keeps His word"

**John 13:34-35 (NLT) So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."**

**John 15:9-12 (NLT) "I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow! This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you.**

- If you're alive in Christ, you should walk like him
  - Progressing, not perfect

**Ephesians 5:1-2 (TLB) Follow God's example in everything you do just as a much loved child imitates his father. Be full of love for others, following the example of Christ who loved you and gave himself to God as a sacrifice to take away your sins. And God was pleased, for Christ's love for you was like sweet perfume to him.**

## II. GOD'S LOVE IS IN YOU

**1 John 2:6 (NKJV) He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.**

### A. Faith in God's love



**Romans 4:2-4 (NLT)** If his good deeds had made him acceptable to God, he would have had something to boast about. But that was not God's way. For the Scriptures tell us, "Abraham believed God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith."

**Romans 4:10 (NLT)** But how did this happen? Was he counted as righteous only after he was circumcised, or was it before he was circumcised? Clearly, God accepted Abraham before he was circumcised!

**Romans 5:1-5 (NLT)** Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory. We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

### III. YOU CAN WALK THIS WAY

#### A. God's love is in you

**John 17:20-26 (TLB)** "I am not praying for these alone but also for the future believers who will come to me because of the testimony of these. My prayer for all of them is that they will be of one heart and mind, just as you and I are, Father—that just as you are in me and I am in you, so they will be in us, and the world will believe you sent me. "I have given them the glory you gave me—the glorious unity of being one, as we are—I in them and you in me, all being perfected into one—so that the world will know you sent me and will understand that you love them as much as you love me. Father, I want them with me—these you've given me—so that they can see my glory. You gave me the glory because you loved me before the world began! "O righteous Father, the world doesn't know you, but I do; and these disciples know you sent me. And I have revealed you to them and will keep on revealing you so that the mighty love you have for me may be in them, and I in them."

**Galatians 5:22-23 (NIRV)** But the fruit the Holy Spirit produces is love, joy and peace. It is being patient, kind and good. It is being faithful and gentle and having control of oneself. There is no law against things of that kind.

#### B. We know, we believe

**1 John 4:16 (NKJV)** And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

#### C. So the world would know

- A sinner loves those that love them.

**Luke 6:32 (NLT)** "If you love only those who love you, why should you get credit for that? Even sinners love those who love them!"