

"The lack of love"

Love is popular, we see it in books, poems, soap operas, and everyone talks about it; it's so popular that it's incomprehensible to understand the true divine meaning of love. But what's reflected is the selfishness and pleasure of receiving someone's affection, exploiting the sentiments and services of someone. The problem of love, the way humans love -the begotten of the satanic pride (to be shine more than other)-, causes an individual to become blind to rights of others, nor suffers necessities, nor knows self-sacrifice, they only focus in exploiting benefits of others. They have no consideration of someone's weakness and are relentless to judge, demanding righteousness something they are not capable of doing. They become irritated by the mistakes of others, just to end up lonely and become one more egotism, without friends and distrusting everyone and everything, even their own shadow. And this so-called love, that rules the sexual drive-"Eros"-of men and women, only pretends to meet the demands of a unilateral pleasure, regardless of the harm that would cause along the way. But this love affects other values of love, -"filial"-, the love between parents and their children, and siblings, to which even circumstantially serve one another demanding attention and caresses just for themselves; but the most tragic part of this type of love -through the diverse religions that say to love God- take advantage their benefits and try to explode the creator and his provision, without understanding the value of love.

Now, understanding what we called love, let's review what is true love, according to the eloquent examples given by the creator. First of all, love means to give, to let someone have something, to hand over; notice, when God gave us life and later gave Adam all the creation for Adam to enjoy and administer it. In addition, God gave Adam a friendship by placing him like the crown of creation, and gave him the knowledge of live and freedom. This evidence demonstrates God's love, in giving "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends"(Jn 15:13). Now let's look at what it means to give one's life for someone? Life translate to: my time, my rights, my efforts, my capabilities, my will, my understanding, my sentiments, what I have, and what I am, and I give it for the benefit of someone else ... This seem impossible! This is precisely what God manifested when He gave the life of His son for salvation of His love, that's you and me. "As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love"(v 9). It's deduce that love doesn't originate from mankind, but from a divine bestowment through the Holy Spirit, because the essence and nature of God is love. How to know if love is in me? First, "If ye love me, keep my commandments"(Jn 14:15). This means that the love towards God is translated into obedience. Secondly, the love among each other: "We love him, because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also" (1 Jn.4:19-21). Regrettably, the love that is lived in churches is similar to the love that is lived by the world, "wanting to shine more than others", seeking their own glories, converting the church into a battlefield, in where lies, anger, jealousy, struggle, and even slander exist; rotting the soul and the destruction of unity thus loosing peace. "From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members? Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain"(Jas.4:1-2). We have seen what true love is, but there's a bigger challenge and that is to "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you That ye may be the children of your Father" (Mat 5:44-45). Can we truly love them?

Beloved brothers and sister, let's supplicate the true love that come from God, so we may be unction with the glorious spirit and truly love unconditionally and without reproach. We'll be able to forgive, understand others, and be free, thus being happy for eternally. Beloved brother and sister, let's love each other, because this is what God's will. Amen.

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