

## THE PATH TO PERFECT LOVE

John 14:19-20

19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

20 At that day “ye shall know” that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

- ❖ **Know (Ginosko)** - To know absolutely and intimately. Jewish idiom for sexual intercourse between man and woman

John 14:21-24

21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?

23 Jesus answered and said unto him, if a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

- ❖ Mark 12:30-31

30 Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.

31 The second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

John 14:25-31

25 These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you.

26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

29 And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

31 But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

John 15:4-5 **Abide “Where I am” in the Father**

4 Abide in me (meno), and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine (meno); no more can ye, except ye abide in me.(meno)

5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him (meno), the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

John 15:7-11

7 **If ye abide in me and my words abide in you (meno)**, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

9 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

10 **If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love (meno)**; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

11 These things have I spoken unto you, **that my joy might remain in you (meno)**, and **that your joy might be full.**

❖ **Abide (meno) - To Dwell, To Stay, To Continue.**

❖ John 14:2, 10

2 In my Father's house are many **mansions (mone/meno -dwelling places)**; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the **Father that dwelleth in me (meno)**, he doeth the works.

John 17:21-26

21 That they all may be one; as thou, **Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us**: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

23 **I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one**; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and **hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.**

24 **Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.**

25 O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.

26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: **that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.**

1 John 4:16-19

16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. **God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.**

17 **Herein is our love made perfect**, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

19 **We love him, because he first loved us.**