

Taking Aim: The Three Greats

Love God personally – OT Examples

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Matthew 22:34-40, 28:19-20

Love God. Love People. Change the World.

personally – family – church

ἁμαρτία (hamartia) – to sin, to miss the mark or target

Matthew 22:37-38

³⁷ Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment.”

ὅλη (holae) - all, whole

ἀγαπᾶσαι (agapeseis) – you (singular) shall be (continuing, expanding action) loving

Old Testament Examples of Loving God Personally through “The Five Love Languages”

1. Words of Affirmation: David sang praise to & about the Lord. (Psalm 63:1-11)

We adore God for who He is.

We thank God for what He does.

2. Quality Time: Moses spent a lot of time in his own personal tent of meeting with the Lord. (Exodus 33:7-13)

Talk with the Lord as your friend. v.11

Learn about the Lord, from the Lord. v.13

Know the Lord so you can please the Lord. v.13

3. Receiving Gifts: Abel gave his best to the Lord. (Genesis 4:4)

Always give the Lord your best.

Abraham offered his very own son, Isaac, to the Lord. (Genesis 22:1-12)

Always give the Lord your favorite.

4. Acts of Service: Noah built the Ark out of obedience to the Lord. (Genesis 6:22)

Love God by serving Him.

Serve God by obeying Him.

5. Physical Touch: Jacob wrestled with the Lord all night for the Lord’s blessing. (Genesis 32:22-31)

Love the Lord with all your strength. Deut. 6

Hold on tightly to the Lord.

So what?

I will love God personally with all that I am and all that I have every day in every way.

For further explanation of each of the love languages, you can visit www.5lovelanguages.com and click on the “Learn the Languages” tab. (Dr. Gary Chapman)