



Developing A Systematic Theology

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He that loveth not knoweth not God;
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...the love of God is shed abroad in
our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is
given unto us. (Romans 5:5)

By this shall all men know that ye are
my disciples, if ye have love (Agape)
one to another. (John 13:35)

Beloved, let us love one another: for
love is of God; and every one that
loveth is born of God, and knoweth
God. (1 John 4:7)

The Moral Attributes of God

1. Truth
2. Love

Understanding Two Kinds of Love

1. **Agape:**
To choose the highest or best good for another without
utilitarian considerations
2. **Phileo:**
To be friends with;
To have personal attachment to;
To have reciprocal affections;

The Importance of Understanding Agape Love

1. To understand the great essence of God
2. To understand what we should be
3. So that others can be recipients of this great love of God
through us

The Characteristics of Agape Love

1. Voluntariness
2. Liberty
3. Intelligence
4. Virtue
5. Disinterestedness
6. Impartiality
7. Universality
8. Efficiency
9. Complacency to holiness
10. Opposition to sin

Doth God pervert judgment? or doth the Almighty pervert justice? (Job 8:3)

Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face. (Psalm 89:14)

Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not afflict.

Men do therefore fear him: he respecteth not any that are wise of heart. (Job 37:23-24)

...for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

Let favour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD. (Isaiah 26:9-10)

(Revelation 19:2-6)

Charity (Agape Love)... rejoiceth in the truth; (1 Corinthians 13:6)

...they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. (2 Thessalonians 2:10)

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