GROWING IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD

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WHO AM I?

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WORSHIP
INTERCESSION
SPIRITUAL WARFARE
EVANGELISM

WHY DO WE NEED A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD?

IT IS THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" ³⁷ And he said to him, "You shall **LOVE** the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸ This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall **LOVE** your neighbour as yourself. ⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 22:36-40

There is no option for a loveless Salvation

GOD IS LOVE

1 John 4:8 – "Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love."

The Trinity – Three persons within One being of God in perfect relationship

Genesis 2:18 – "Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him."

It is within His very being and nature to love

BECAUSE HE LOVES YOU

"There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. ¹⁹ We love because he <u>first loved us.</u>"

1 John 4:18-19

IT AFFECTS THE QUALITY OF YOUR WALK WITH GOD

Walking in Law

VS

Walking in Love

WHAT IS A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD?

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- Mutual and self sacrificial love to each other
- Devotion and Worship
- Loyalty
- **Obedience John 14:15** "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."
- Sacrifice Romans 12:1 "I appeal to you therefore, brothers, [a] by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship"

HOW TO CULTIVATE MORE LOVE FOR GOD

METHODS

Spend time with Him every day

We need to ask for it

We need a Spiritual medicine cabinet

Galatians 2:20 - "I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."