Priority 2

Matthew 22:39

Priority 1

Matthew 22:34 But when the Pharisees heard that He had put the Sadducees to silence, they gathered themselves together.

³⁵ And one of them, a lawyer, asked Him *a question*, testing Him,

³⁶ "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 foremost commandment.

Priority 2

³⁹ "The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'

⁴⁰ "On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets."

The priority of love

Matthew 7:12 "Therefore, however you want people to treat you, so treat them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

Galatians 5:13 For you were called to freedom, brethren; only *do* not *turn* your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

¹⁴ For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the *statement*, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

1 Timothy 1:5 the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

⁶ For some men, straying from these things, have turned aside to fruitless discussion,

Colossians 3:14 And beyond all these things *put on* love, which is the perfect bond of unity.

1 Corinthians 13:1 If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

² And if I have *the gift of* prophecy, and know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

³ And if I give all my possessions to feed *the poor*, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing.

1 Corinthians 13:13 But now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

James 2:8 If, however, you are fulfilling the royal law, according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well.

1 Peter 4:8 Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another,

The example of love

John 13:34 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

1 John 3:16 We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

1 John 4:10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

¹¹ Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Ephesians 5:1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children;

² and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you, and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her;

²⁶ that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,

²⁷ that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she should be holy and blameless.

The definition of love

Based on the example: Love is a c to v which produces s

The source of love

Based on the example: The choice to love is based on the character of the

I_____, not the recipient

1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God;

and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

⁸ The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

⁹ By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

¹¹ Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

¹² No one has beheld God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us.

¹³ By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.

The life of love

Love sacrifices to help <u>e</u>

Luke 6:26 "Woe to you when all men speak well of you, for in the same way their fathers used to treat the false prophets.

²⁷ "But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,

²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.

²⁹ "Whoever hits you on the cheek, offer him the other also; and whoever takes away your coat, do not withhold your shirt from him either.

³⁰ "Give to everyone who asks of you, and whoever takes away what is yours, do not demand it back.

³¹ "And just as you want people to treat you, treat them in the same way.

³² "And if you love those who love you, what credit is *that* to you? For even sinners love those who love them.

³³ "And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is *that* to you? For even sinners do the same.

³⁴ "And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is *that* to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, in order to receive back the same *amount*.

³⁵"But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil *men*. ³⁶ "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Love g

Romans 9:1 I am telling the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit,

² that I have great sorrow and unceasing grief in my heart.

³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed, *separated* from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh,

Love is <u>d</u>

Romans 12:9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good.

¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor;

Love obeys <u>I</u>

Romans 13:8 Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled *the* law.

⁹ For this, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, it is summed up in this saying, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; love therefore is the fulfillment of *the* law.

1 John 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and observe His commandments.

Love sacrifices its <u>r</u>

Romans 14:15 For if because of food your brother is hurt, you are no longer walking according to love. Do not destroy with your food him for whom Christ died.

Love e

1 Corinthians 8:1 Now concerning things sacrificed to idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge makes arrogant, but love edifies.

Love...

1 Corinthians 13:4 Love is patient, love is kind, and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, ⁵ does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered. ⁶ does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth: ⁷ bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸ Love never fails:

Love s

Galatians 5:13 For you were called to freedom, brethren; only *do* not *turn* your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

Love f

Ephesians 4:2 showing forbearance to one another in love,

Love speaks <u>t</u>

Ephesians 4:15 but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all *aspects* into Him, who is the head, *even* Christ,

¹⁶ from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

Love sacrifices to <u>s</u>

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her;

²⁶ that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with

Love <u>e</u>

Philippians 2:3 Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself;

Love <u>u</u>

Colossians 2:2 that their hearts may be encouraged, having been knit together in love,

Colossians 3:14 And beyond all these things *put on* love, which is the perfect bond of unity.

Love I

1 Thessalonians 1:3 constantly bearing in mind your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father,

Love covers s

1 Peter 4:8 Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins.

Love meets <u>n</u>

1 John 3:16 We know love by this, that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

¹⁷ But whoever has the world's goods, and beholds his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?

¹⁸ Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth.

1 Thessaloníans 3:12 and may the Lord cause you to increase and abound in love for one another, and for all men, just as we also *do* for you;

Hebrews 10:24 and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds,

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