



Loving Our Neighbors
Love the Way Jesus Taught It
The Provision of Love

Proverbs 13:22 - *A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, and the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.*

Proverbs 19:14 - *House and wealth are an inheritance from fathers, but a prudent wife is from the Lord.*

Ephesians 1:10-11 - *In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will...*

1 Peter 1:3-4 - *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you...*

Ephesians 1:18-19 - *I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might...*

John 13:1 - *Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His hour had come that He would depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.*

3 blessings of the gift of the Holy Spirit

I. Divine Presence

14:16 - *I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever...*

A. Meaning of the word "helper"

parakletos - para - alongside, kalew - to call

"one called alongside to help"

B. The significance of the word "another"

C. The duration

14:16 - *...that He may be with you forever*

D. The extent

14:17 - *you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you*

John 13:1 - *...having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.*

E. When was this promise fulfilled?

Acts 1:1-8

Acts 2:1-13

1 Corinthians 13:8 - *Love never fails; but if there are gifts of prophecy, they will be done away; if there are tongues, they will cease; if there is knowledge, it will be done away.*

Psalms 23:4 - *Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.*

II. Faithful Perseverance

14:18 - *I will not leave you as orphans...*

A. The repeated relationship between love for Christ and obedience to His Word

14:21-24 - *He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him. Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, "Lord, what then has happened that You are going to disclose Yourself to us and not to the world?" Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him. He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me."*

14:15 - *If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.*

B. Ways the Holy Spirit helps us persevere

1. By His sealing

Ephesians 1:13 - *In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise...*

Romans 8:9 - *...But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.*

2. By His filling

Ephesians 5:18 - *And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit...*

3. By His empowerment

Galatians 5:16-18 - *But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.*

4. By His fruit

Galatians 5:19-24 - *Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.*

5. By His relationship to the Word

2 Peter 1:20-21 - *But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.*

III. Miraculous Peace

14:27 - *Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.*

A. Meaning of peace

1. The objective peace of justification

Colossians 1:19-20 - *For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him, and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven.*

"Fallen man is not simply an imperfect creature who needs improvement: he is a rebel who must lay down his arms." C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity* (New York: HarperCollins, 1952/2001), 56.

Romans 5:1 - *Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...*

2. The experiential peace enjoyed by those who possess the Holy Spirit

Philippians 4:7 - *And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

B. The source of our peace

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