

YOU HAVE THE ORIGINAL

Romans 5:5 (KJV)

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

- When we receive Christ, the Holy Spirit comes to live on the inside of us.
- When the Holy Spirit comes to live on the inside of us it's not for a temporary stay.
- When people stay with you for a short period of time they usually travel light.
- The Holy Spirit moved in on the inside of you.
- When He showed up He brought all His stuff.
- The first thing the Holy Spirit did was He redecorated the walls of your heart with God's Love.
- He didn't just touch up; He repaired and fixed what was wrong.
- Your heart had to be a suitable place for the Holy Spirit to move into.
- The Holy Spirit operates in an environment of Love.
- God put His own character in you.
- You have Godly characteristics living in you everyday.

GOD IS LOVE

1 John 4:7-8 (KJV)

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

8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

- If you want to develop your character and integrity, you need to model yourself after the characteristics of God.
- People often try to figure out who God is; He is Love.
- The Bible says that we are made in the image of God, therefore we must operate in who He is.

ARE YOU GROUNDED?

Ephesians 3:14-21 (KJV)

14 *For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,*

15 *Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,*

16 *That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;*

17 *That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,*

18 *May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;*

19 *And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.*

20 *Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,*

21 *Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.*

-Paul prayed that they would be **rooted** and **grounded** in the Love of Christ.

Rooted:

-Roots have 2 major purposes:

- 1) They supply water and nutrients that are necessary for the plant to survive.
- 2) They provide an anchor of strength for the plant.

Grounded:

-In electricity there is a wire that is called a ground wire.

Grounded Wire Definition:

An intentionally grounded wire that completes a circuit should a neutral wire fail. Typically a green wire. Electrical current takes the shortest, most direct path to ground. In your electrical circuits, the **black wire (hot)** supplies power and the **white wire (neutral)** carries the current

back. If the neutral wire was somehow broken or interrupted, YOU would be electricity's shortest path back to the earth, so the ground wire is like an insurance policy to carry the current back so you don't get shocked in case the neutral wire fails.

-The ground wire is used to direct any current of electricity to the source that it is connected to.

-The storms of life come to us all.

-If you are not grounded then everything that you have invested in can be blown out in one storm.

-Too many people are in relationships right now with no ground wire (the Love of God) attached.

-Paul said that we are to be grounded in the Love of God.

-Natural human love is not enough to make a relationship last.

-You cannot live your life on a neutral wire.

-When your relationships are grounded in the Love of God, then whatever attack comes at you is forced to be grounded to the source of the wire (the Love of God).

-The Love of God says, "You will not get my marriage, my family, my relationships, etc."

-You have to take every relationship, every thought, every emotion, and ground it in the Love of God.

WILL YOU LAST THROUGH THE STORMS?

1 Corinthians 13:8 (AMP)

Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to an end]...

-God's Love will never fail.

-If you want your relationships to never fail you must operate in the Love of God.

-It's already living on the inside of you.

-Are there areas in your life right now that seem blown out?

-If so, can you trace the wires back to see if there was a ground wire in that area of your life?

-Are you living your life right now with no grounding?

-Everything that you have invested into can be blown out in one storm.

-Choose today to grow your roots in the Love of God.

-Ground everything in your life that is subject to be damaged in a storm. (Marriage, relationships, career, etc.)
-The Love of God is the way to victory in every area of our lives.