

Embrace
Holy
Living

RE- FLECTING GOD

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1 John 2:28-3:10

Jesus explains how to live so that we can be "unashamed" and "confident" to meet him when He returns. The answer is love. This may seem obvious, since God is love, yet understanding the depth of this kind of love is a lifelong challenge—one that brings us closer to Him and others.

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me'" (Matthew 25:40). How we treat others affects God personally and deeply. Treating people with care and respect is not a mechanical act. It must be an act of the heart.

"If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing" (1 Corinthians 13:3). Without love motivating our Christlike actions, we "gain nothing"! That's how important this is to our walk with God and our witness to others.

Love is a choice. Commit to that choice, even when you don't feel like loving someone. When Christ returns for us, we should all long to hear Him say, "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

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