Love

Restoring man's godlike image; the glorious qualities that were marred at the fall of Adam

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1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (NKJV)
13 Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become like sounding brass or a clanging cymbal.
2 And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.
3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.
4 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up;
5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not think evil;
6 does not rejoice in iniquity but rejoices in the truth;
7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
8 Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away.
9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part.
10 But when the perfect comes, the imperfect will be done away.
11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.
12 For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face. Now I know in part; but then I shall know just as I also am known.
13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Galatians 5:16-26 (NKJV)
16 This I say, then: Walk in the Spirit,
and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.
17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; these are contrary to one another, so that you do not continually do the things that you would.
18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.
19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
20 idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,
21 envyings, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I have also told you in times past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
23 meekness, self-control; against such things there is no law.
24 And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
26 Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Hebrews 1:1-4 (NKJV)
1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in the past to the fathers by the prophets,
2 has in these last days spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom also he made the worlds;
3 who being the brightness of his glory and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had purged our sins by himself, sat down at the right hand of the majesty on high,
4 being made so much better than the angels, as he has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

Ephesians 4:11-16 (NKJV)
11 And he gave some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,
12 for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,
13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;
14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves, and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the craftiness of deceitful plotting,
15 but speaking the truth in love, we may grow in all things into him who is the head, even Christ,
16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes the growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

2. Bible interpretation and pneudoscientism:

Many men believed comes in the mind of scripture with a certain mindset that's more shaped by fallen world's system of thinking.

And apart from the Holy Spirit, and apart from **a desire to know objective truth** and a desire for **absolute moral values**,

everyone, at different points in time makes the mistake of interpreting scripture with subjectivism, relativism, competitive values, opinions, and independentism.

Many men are not sincere and come to know the mind and truth of scripture at different points in time, and are not sincere in their interpretations and **motives** and **values** and understanding of scripture. Objective **truth** is not their **motive**.

That's the primary job of the pastor teacher!

And so many men are thinking that scripture is interpreted in a certain way, in a clear and precise understanding of what the scripture teaches.

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