

THE PROBLEMS MOST HAVE WITH CHRISTIANITY

1 JOHN 4:7-21

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A Certain Recipe for Christian Failure:

- 1) Try to love God with all your Heart, Soul, Mind and Strength.
- 2) Work on being a BETTER PERSON.
- 3) Start loving and caring FOR OTHERS.

Trying to do these three things will lead to discouragement, burnout, defeat, depression and will cause us to wonder if God really loves us or not.

2 Depressing Examples – Martha (Luke 10:38-42); Elder Brother (Luke 15:11-32)

How do we correct the problem?

1 John 4:7-21, 3:1, Genesis 1 & 2, Deuteronomy 5&6, Exodus 19&20, Joshua 24

John has been teaching us that if we really KNEW GOD, we would WALK WITH GOD, and God would be IN US!

If that is true, then if we truly know God, we...

Know His LOVE and give His LOVE.

Know His GRACE and give His GRACE.

Know His MERCY and give His MERCY.

Know His FORGIVENESS, and give His FORGIVENESS.

How do we start the process?

1 John 4:7-21, John 15:1-12, Galatians 2:20, Romans 5:6-11, Psalm 139

- ✓ I need to know and learn what God has already DONE FOR ME.
- ✓ I then accept and apply what He has already DONE FOR ME.
- ✓ I then walk in and reflect in what He has already DONE FOR ME.