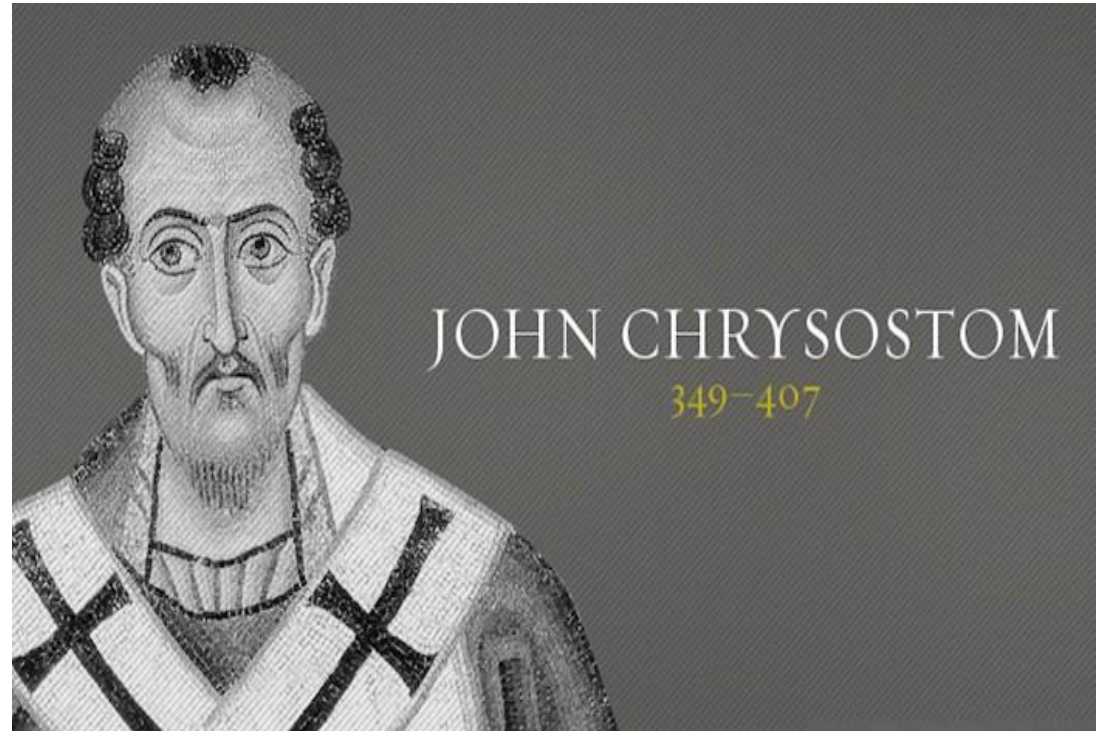
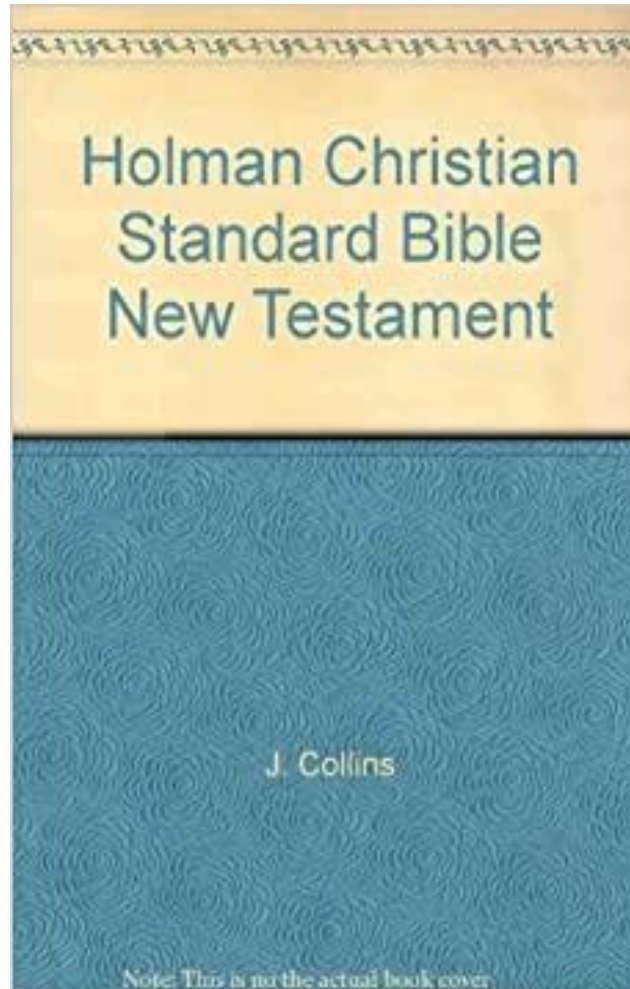


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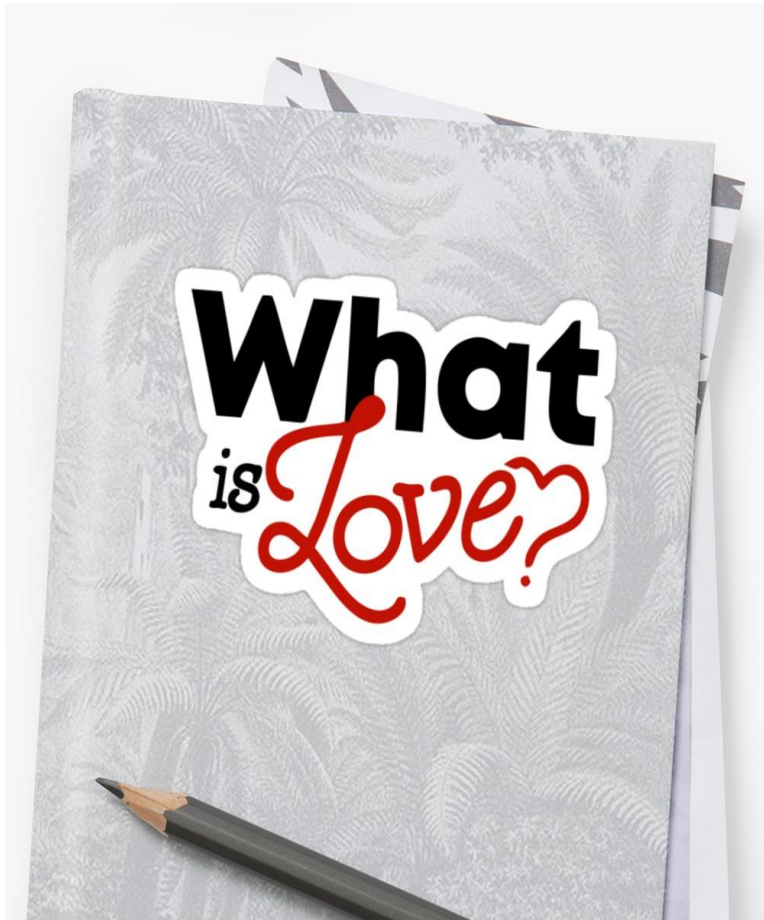
“Heat makes all things expand. And the warmth of love will always expand a person’s heart.”



I CORINTHIANS 13



LOVE IS A MANY SPLENDORED THING!



1. Patient – Long Tempered
2. Kind – Benevolent
3. Not Envious – Competitive Spirit
4. Not Boastful – Parading Accomplishments
5. Not Arrogant – Inflated Haughty Spirit
6. Not Rude – Graceless Impropriety

A SUCCESSFUL TEAM



VII. LOVE IS NOT INSISTING ON ITS OWN WAY

“Zeteo”: **Worship, Strive For, Crave, Desire**

Matthew 6:33; I Peter 5:8; & Luke 15

NOT MAKING MY RIGHTS TOP PRIORITY

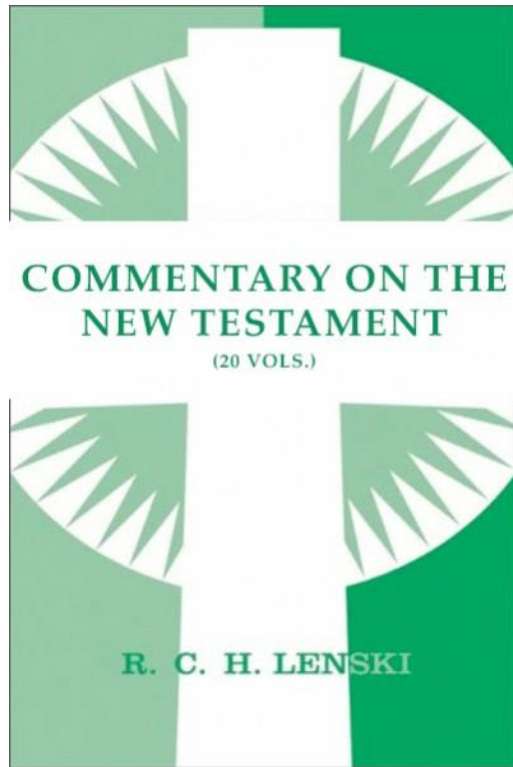
- 1. Jesus (Matthew 20:28)**
- 2. Paul (I Corinthians 10:23-24)**
- 3. Corinth Church (I Corinthians 14:12)**
- 4. Abraham (Genesis 13:8-9)**
- 5. Timothy (Philippians 2:19-21)**
- 6. Great Commandment (Matthew 22:39)**

TOMBSTONE IN ENGLAND



**Here lies a miser who lived for himself
And cared for nothing but gathering wealth
Now where he is or how he fares
Nobody knows and nobody cares**

R. C. H. LENSKI



“Cure selfishness and you have just replanted the garden of Eden.”

VIII. LOVE IS NOT EASILY IRRITATED

“Paroxuno”: Beside or Alongside
+ Stir, Exasperate, or Provoke

“On Alert To Become Riled”

POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE EXAMPLES

1. **Ephesus Church (Ephesians 4:2)**
2. **Paul (Acts 17:16)**
3. **Church Body (Hebrews 10:24)**
4. **Nabal vs. Abigail (1 Samuel 25)**
5. **Stephen (Acts 7:54-60)**

IX. LOVE IS NOT RESENTFUL

“Logizomai”: To Record In A Ledger, To Analyze +

“Kakos”: Wicked, Injurious Harm, Evil

Love does not keep a running ledger of wounds!

JOHN MACARTHUR



“No wrong is ever recorded for later reference. Love forgives. Someone once suggested that love does not forgive and forget, but rather remembers and still forgives. Resentment is careful to keep books, which it reads and rereads, hoping for a chance to get even.”

NT EXHORTATIONS

I Thessalonians 5:15

I Peter 3:9

Romans 12:17-19

BIBLICAL EXAMPLES

Saul To David

I Samuel 18:6-9

Paul To Mark

Acts 15:36-40

II Timothy 4:11

ALAN REDPATH



“This picture of love is a photograph of the Lord Jesus Christ in His inner character. And in His church, His body, He wants to have many reprints.”

PROBING QUESTION

- I. Am I more interested to get my way than meeting others' needs?**

PROBING QUESTION

- 2. Am I quick to ventilate my anger for the wrong reason?**

PROBING QUESTION

- 3. Am I one to keep a running inventory of people who have wronged me with no chance of parole?**