



Wholehearted Love

37 Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.” Matt 22:37-38 (NIV)

Probably the first thing you will notice is I’ve done it again...I’ve added a couple more verses. Good catch. Bear with me.

Simple as it may seem, and easy to say, I’m confronted with *The Truth* every time I read and say our confessional. (“I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved my neighbor as myself...”) This, my friend, is where the rubber meets the road. How do you do that? Is it even possible? How can I say I love God completely when I can’t even show love to my neighbor constantly? Now you see why I’ve added the two extra verses for this devotional.

As with all my Christian brothers and sisters, my ultimate goal, the Prize as Paul puts it, is to be with my Lord in Heaven.

Easy you say? Think about that the next time your neighbor cuts you off in traffic, or the next time words come back to you that are, shall we say, uncomplimentary?

I know that all I can do is to ‘get in the Word’ on a daily basis, reading and considering what I’ve read, asking God for His help and guidance; learning to lean on and to trust Him.

It’s all I can do.

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