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“LOVE GIVES STRENGTH IN ADVERSITY”

1 John 2:1-6. Walk as Jesus Christ walked.

I want to be more respectful of LOVE itself., embrace its peace, applaud its creativity..., thank its tenderness..., admire its bravery..., and *acknowledge its strength in adversity.*

“Those who realize how much they are loved are able to love much.”

“Nothing sticks to Love.” w/k.

“Your life is not a chance, it’s a choice.”

God- LOVE- wants to restore your soul.

“He turns your wounds into wisdom.”

“God uses offenses to remove your pretenses.”

1 Peter 4:12-13,19.

Six offenses that cause adversity:

Remembering- the long arm of the past.

Distancing

Difficulty with new ideas and individuals

Conflicts in value differences

Disagreements

Unmet expectations

LOVE reconciles..., love is liberating..., love improves overall psychological well-being.

LOVE must *give up* the focus on the past and *refocus* on the present and future relationships.

LOVE- “will turn your wounds into wisdom.”

LOVE- “will turn your “whys” into “whats.”

How can we love? Show me how Lord Jesus.

1 John 4:7-8 Can you sing it?