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presents its

<u>OVERALL THEME</u>: The Years 2003, 2013 and Going Forward...

"THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE"

THEME: "AM I READY TO GO TO HEAVEN ... AT THIS MOMENT?"

JUNE - "MANIFESTING GOD'S AGAPE LOVE: A SCRIPTURAL READING GUIDE"

EMPHASIS: "JESUS CHRIST: THE SOURCE OF LOVE"

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Encompassing the **LMMI topics below**, "*The Manifestation of <u>LOVE</u>*," was/is a central part of "**FEBRUARY**: A SEASON OF GOD'S LOVE MANIFESTED." It shall continue as a portion of our <u>DAILY/MONTHLY</u> routine **THROUGHOUT THIS YEAR**!

*A <u>"MUST-BUY"</u> Enhancement is <u>LORD, THIS HEART OF MINE</u> by Bishop Clifton Jones 601-259-2412/601-416-2632

Day 8: <u>Relevant Information</u>: Also, a Preludes to <u>"The...7:14 Connection"</u> Project.

Please see/read/download the web-posts below @ www.lcj-lmmi.org/services.

1) September 16, 2019: <u>"YOU ARE MORE THAN A FRIEND:..."</u>

2) #20 - "TRIPLING MY TRIPLE UP' EFFECT..."

3) #2022 - "PRAYER AND FASTING" – Please read & adhere to for

a) Each Wednesday - " LMMI - CORPORATE PRAYER AND FAST DAY!"

b) #77D – Emphasis: "PENTECOST," CHAPTERS 1 AND 2"

4) #8 May - "READYING TO RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST/HOLY SPIRIT"

5) #9 May-June - "THE SEASON OF THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH ...,"

including "PENTECOST" and "THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES"

6) #10 July - "HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST ... SINCE YE BELIEVED?"

7) #11 August – <u>"WILT THOU BE MADE WHOLE?"</u>

Introduction/Background to this Month's Topic:

February – known for <u>Valentine's Day</u> on February 14 – as history reveals – began with the martyr of a priest, who was known for assisting persecuted Christians. Today, this day is celebrated with thoughts of <u>LOVE</u> through the giving of cards, candy, flowers, jewelry, specific events, special times together, etc. **(For Christians, Jesus Christ should be our center of attention** – <u>first</u> - with thoughts of <u>LOVE</u> for <u>HIM</u> – for giving <u>HIS</u> LIFE for us, then with thoughts of <u>HIM</u> through <u>HIS</u> <u>LOVE</u> manifested to others</u>. [St. John 3:16-17 (KJV). Focus is Verse 16.]

Although each month will begin in a similar manner, please review these pages each month. The **<u>GOAL</u>** is for EACH PERSON to DEMONSTRATE/ MANIFEST GROWTH in his/her life on a DAILY BASIS!

REMEMBER: **JESUS CHRIST** DEMONSTRATED/MANIFESTED THE

ULTIMATE IN **<u>HIS</u> LOVE** FOR US WHEN <u>**HE**</u> FREELY GAVE <u>**HIS**</u> LIFE FOR US

ON A WOODEN CROSS!

*****When/if possible, see "THE PASSION !"

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Day 9: Review - What are Four Major kinds of LOVE?

Christians realize there are four major Greek words for the word, "<u>LOVE</u>." These Greek Words, with their English definitions are:

1) *Eros* = physical, sensual love between husband and wife;

- 2) *Philia* = brotherly love; friendship;
- 3) *Storge* = family love- the bond among mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers;
- 4) <u>Agape = selfless, sacrificial, unconditional love, as only GOD</u> could

demonstrate, <u>as in *St. John 3:16*</u>. "<u>AGAPE"</u> is the <u>highest</u> of the "Four Kinds of <u>LOVE"</u>.

<u>In every instance in this study, we - as Christians – shall use the definition</u> <u>"AGAPE," meaning "GOD LOVE."</u> (Again, "<u>AGAPE</u>" denotes the Love of <u>GOD</u> for humankind in that through <u>HIS</u> dying on the Cross, <u>HE</u> freely gave <u>HIS</u> life for mankind so that we might have a right to the "TREE OF LIFE" [Eternal Life].)

Now we know - that as Christians - we must realize that much time in February should be "topped with '<u>AGAPE'/(LOVE FOR GOD)"</u> – with "giving" <u>HIM</u> <u>Gifts of Love</u>, as

- 1) Times of Special Prayer;
- 2) Times of Fasting;
- 3) Times of Worship;
- 4) Times of Concentration; and
- 5) Times for *Reading and Meditating* on Selected Holy Scriptures, as the information below indicates. [Please locate other Scriptures.]

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Day 9: What are the greatest qualities of "AGAPE" LOVE?

I Corinthians 13:1-13

Day 9: As a Christian, what do you say about "LOVE"

- 1) for yourself?
- 2) for others?

<u>Day 10</u>: <u>Read Postings for THIS particular Month:</u> <u>Directives:</u>

- a) Read the Introduction/Background.
- b) Be directed by each specific **LOVE** topic presented.
- c) FOR EACH VERSE,
 - READ/WRITE from the <u>KING JAMES BIBLE VERSION</u> [KJV], then the <u>AMPLIFIED BIBLE VERSION [AMP].</u>
 [<u>Example</u>: Use the "**YouVersion Bible**" from your "Smart Device" Locate the verse(s) to be read, <u>then</u> go to the "<u>AMP Version</u>" in "<u>Compare Versions</u>."
 [NOTE: "<u>Compare Versions</u>" from the "<u>YouVersion Bible</u>" app is helpful in understanding meanings of some words.
 Suggested Bibles: <u>KJV/NKJV</u>; AMP/AMPC; CEV; EASY; GNB; ICB; NLT; MSG

Other Suggestions: Dictionary; Paper/pens; Laptop/Printer,

if/as desired; etc.

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For the month of June, we shall concentrate on I John 4:7-21: **"JESUS CHRIST: THE SOURCE OF LOVE!"**

Day 11: "LOVE:" - John 3:11-17 (esp. 3:16)

Day 12: "LOVE" GOD with your WHOLE HEART, MIND,

SOUL, AND STRENGTH: Matthew 22:37-40

Day 13: "DO UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WANT THEM TO DO UNTO YOU:"

Leviticus 19:18; Luke 6:31; Romans 13:10; Galatians 5:14; James 2:8

- Day 14: I John 4:7
- Day 15: I John 4:8
- Day 16: I John 4:9
- Day 17: I John 4: 10
- Day 18: I John 4: 11
- Day 19: I John 4:12
- Day 20: | John 4:13
- Day 21: I John 4: 14
- Day 22: I John 4:15
- Day 23: | John 4:16
- Day 24: I John 4:17
- Day 25: I John 4:18
- Day 26: I John 4:19
- Day 27: I John 4:20
- Day 28: I John 4:21

Days 29 - 31: Your Reflections on 1 John, chapter 4:7-21?

MAY GOD BLESS YOU IN YOUR ENDEAVORS!

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