## LOVE RIGHT

(Matthew 22:33-40)

## INTRODUCTION

"Love" - is known for the action it prompts; not complacent; show 'n tell.

"Right" - a straight path; in accordance with a correct standard; an upright way.

1. (Matthew 22:37-38) "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. For this is the first and great commandment"

"Heart" (Col. 3:1-2). "Soul" (Psalm 42:1-2). "Mind" (2 Tim. 2:15). (Mark 12:30) "... and with all thy strength"

2. (Mtt. 22:39) "The second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself"

(Luke 10:29; Romans 13:10; James 2:8)

- 3. (Ephesians 5:25) "Husbands, love your wives"
  - 1) (v25) "as Christ loved the church"

Sacrificially - "gave himself for it"

Purposefully - (v26-27) "that he might sanctify it ... present it to himself ... that it should be holy and without blemish"

Realistically - (Rms. 5:8) "while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us"

Voluntarily - (Phil. 2:7) "he took the form of a servant"

Absolutely - (Eph. 1:3) "who blessed us with all spiritual blessings"

- 2) (v28) "so ought men to love their wives as their own bodies"
  - (v29) "no man ever hated his own flesh"
  - (v29) "but nourishes and cherishes it"
- 4. (Titus 2:3-4) "aged women ... teach the young women to ... love their husbands"
- 5. (John 13:34-35) "A new commandment I give to you, That ye love one another ... "

(1 Thess. 4:9; 1 Peter 1:22; 1 Peter 2:17)