

## Sermon Notes from Pastor Cornelius Schelling 6-21-09

### The Father's Love - Fathers Day 2009

Ephesians 5:1 THEREFORE BE imitators of God [copy Him and follow His example], as well-beloved children [imitate their father]. 2 And walk in love, [esteeming and delighting in one another] as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, a [a slain offering and sacrifice to God [for you, so that it became] a sweet fragrance.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her.

God the Father wants every man to be a God man and the only way that is accomplished is to not just know about God the Father but to know him personally as Adam knew God in the Garden of Eden.

John 4:24 God is a Spirit.

I John 4:8 God is Love

Romans 10:8-10,13 Tells us how a man comes into a relationship with God through his son Jesus and when a man receives Christ into his life Romans 5:5 happens -- the love of God comes to live in him.

Now this God man can love like the Heavenly Father. He can love his wife as Christ loved the church and he can love his children with that same love.

I Cor 13:13 Love is greater than faith or hope.

Gal 5:6 tells us that faith worketh by Love. It takes the God kind of love to make faith work.

The world's love won't make the God kind of faith work.

In Heb 11:1 Faith is the foundation of things expected and faith is the proof of what you do not see.

The Bible says that wisdom is the principle thing and the Bible says that without faith it is impossible to please God and if it is impossible to please God without faith and faith worketh by love then love should be our number one priority in life.

The Bible tells us that the things we're expecting come to us because we love.

Mark 12:30-31 If a man will learn to love the Heavenly Father, the Heavenly Father will make himself real to him.

John 14:21 If you keep his word, and love the Father, the Father will love you and make himself real to you. This is how the Father knows you love him if you keep his word; it is not just because you tell him.

The Definition of a BBQ. This is the world's thoughts not God's thoughts.

It's the only type of cooking a "real man" will do. When a man volunteers to do the 'BBQ' the following chain of events is put into motion: 1. The woman goes to the store. 2. The woman fixes the salad, vegetables, and dessert. 3. The woman prepares the meat for cooking, places it on a tray along with the necessary cooking utensils, and takes it to the man, who is lounging beside the grill. 4. The man places the meat on the grill. 5. The woman goes inside to set the table and check the vegetables. 6. The woman comes out to tell the man that the meat is burning. 7. The man takes the meat off the grill and hands it to the woman. 8. The woman prepares the plates and brings them to the table.

9. After eating, the woman clears the table and does the dishes. 10. Everyone praises the man and thanks him for his cooking efforts. 11. The man asks the woman how she enjoyed "her night off." And, upon seeing her annoyed reaction, concludes that there's just no pleasing some women.

In the world in which we live everything seems to be all about position and power and self, but in the Kingdom of God it is not about position or power or self it is about Christ, his authority, his power and his will through which the church is to operate. In the marriage relationship it's not to be about authority or power but about love.

Ephesians 5:23 Tells us that the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. 24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing.

See it is not about position or authority it is about divine order or we could say it is about God's will and when we understand that then we don't have any difficulty submitting not only to our husband but also to one another in the body of Christ.

In the world today it seems to be about who is right and who is wrong and the world passes judgment and choose sides and then voices their opinions based upon what they think and what they believe.

But the only side we are to be on is God's side and not on anyone else's side.

We are to take all the information we receive and take it to God in Jesus name and ask him about it rather than making our own decision based upon what we hear or see.

You may hear something that is true, but if the spirit behind it is wrong and it could lead you astray.

When we seek God and get the mind of Christ then and only then do we have total truth and then we stand on that truth and you don't have to take anyone's side because you are on God's side and that ends all the arguments and ends all the debates. Now you don't have to defend your self or justify your actions all you need to say is go to God and ask him.

Submission is not agreement, because you don't need to submit you already are. Submission takes place when you don't agree but you do it anyway.

Something we need to see is that the Father gave his will to man by giving him authority over the works of his hands.

Genesis 1:26-28 KJV And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. (27) So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. (28) And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

Psalms 8:4-8 KJV What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? (5) For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. (6) Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all *things* under his feet: (7) All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field; (8) The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, *and whatsoever* passeth through the paths of the seas.

The Father God is committed to you.

The angels are committed to you. Hebrews 1:14

The Holy Ghost is committed to you. You can say no to the Holy Ghost and he will submit to your will, your decision whether it is right or wrong, but he will not help you do wrong.

God is committed to your will--the decisions you make; and he makes judgment based upon His word. When we make right decisions the Father hasten to perform his word. Jer 1:12

So let us talk about the Father's love for all mankind.

How does the Father love you?

1. He sent his Son so that you might have eternal life instead of eternal death. John 3:16
2. He sent his written word so that you might know him. II Peter 1:2 Grace and peace.
3. He sent the Holy Ghost to teach, help, guide etc. John 14:26
4. He sent and gave his angels charge over you. Hebrews 1:14
5. When you got born again, he put his love in you with the power of the Holy Ghost.

Romans 5:5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Galatians 5:22-25 KJV But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, (23) Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. (24) And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. (25) If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

6. As you learn to love Him he pours out of Himself so that you can love Him more.

John 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

7. He gave His life so that you might have life more abundantly. John 10:10
8. He crowned you with glory, gave you authority over the works of His hands. Psalm 8:6  
He gave you spiritual leadership over your family.
9. He made you a king, a lively stone, a royal priesthood, a ruler so that you could reign in life as a king. Romans 5:17 I Peter 2:5,9

10. He gave you a name that is above every name the name of Jesus. Phil 2:9-10

11. Then he gave you a wife so that you could love her as Christ loved you. That you might cherish her respect her all the days of your life. Eph 5:25

12. God made you a God man with honor and dignity, love and compassion so that you could teach and train your children in the paths of righteousness. Proverbs 22:6 Ephesians 6:4

13. He gave you this love so you could take it into the whole world. Mark 16:15

14. He blessed you with all spiritual blessings Ephesians 1:3

15. He sealed you with the Holy Spirit of promise Ephesians 1:13

So as we see the love of the Father, we are to love ourselves in a right way and love our wife, our children. the church and the world with the Father's Love.

Be blessed this Fathers Day!!