

EXHORTATIONS FROM THE FATHER

["Reflections" Of The Father's Heart]

December 27th

* Love of "self" [*self-desire, self-seeking, the pursuit of self-agenda through fear and pride*] - no matter how subtle the manifestation - equals "hatred" towards another.

Whereas, divine Love ALWAYS seeks [*through a continued faith and obedience*] that which is best for another - at all cost to oneself.

....*"Love endures long and is patient and kind; love never is envious nor boils over with jealousy, is not boastful or vainglorious, does not display itself haughtily. It is not conceited [arrogant and inflated with pride]; it is not rude [unmannerly] and does not act unbecomingly. Love [God's love in us] does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking; it is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong]. It does not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness, but rejoices when right and truth prevail. Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything [without weakening]. Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to an end]".... 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a The Amplified Translation*

....*"Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends".... John 15:13 NASB*