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PORTRAIT OF CHRIST # 24

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*Man of Great Love.*  
JESUS, LOVER OF MY SOUL

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INT: • John 3:14-18. God's love was unlimited.  
• John 10:14-18. Christ's love was supreme. *John 15:13*

• VICTOR HUGO: "Life is a Flower, of which Love is the Honey." Without honey a flower is bland.

*The*  
HOPE of this world is Love! How? Like Jesus:

I. LITTLE LOVE FOR HIMSELF.

1. Total dedication to God's Work. Acts 10:38.
2. Total will dedicated to God's Way. M.26:39.
3. Total rights dedicated to God's Wish. J.6:38.

COMMENTS OF WISDOM:

- a. Hate never beautified anything; love all!
  - b. Love is the filter of life. It filters out unkind words, attitudes and deeds.
  - c. When you are tempted NOT to love; remember He loved you when you were unworthy. IJ4:19.
- I'll* **III**. Condemned murderer. Time to die. Preacher visited. No repentance. Asked: elder. Man softened. He-far above me. Elder-sat beside me. Love-sinners like YOU & ME! (Knt. I. 426)

II. GREAT LOVE FOR GOD.

1. Total trust in God's plan. Romans 5:8.
2. Total subjection to God's (I John 3:16) love.
3. Total obedience regardless of the cost. H. 2:9.

COMMENTS OF WISDOM:

- a. God is love. If love is absent, God is absent
  - b. Love is the Art of life--its greatest Art!!
  - c. Christian love is completed in natural love.
- Farmer* **III**. Farmer bought farm. Neighbor ugly. Bought you a law-suit. Why? Fence 1' on my land. I'll move it this morning. Matt. 5:5. (K.427)

III. SACRIFICIAL LOVE FOR MAN.

1. What about man is so lovable? Isa. 64:6. R.3:23
2. What about man is worth dying for? Ps. 139:14.

COMMENTS OF WISDOM:

- a. Love without sacrifice is like an Arrow without a Target.
- b. Love for God is BEST seen through love for man.

*Train books* **III** Collision of two Philadelphia & Erie freight trains. "Christian Dean", Engineer on one. Pinned under the wreckage.

His fireman was completely covered somewhere.  
Rescue team arrived. Said "Help poor Jim.  
He needs you most!"

Jim was found and taken out unconscious.

Christian Dean then was rescued.....BUT....

He had been pinned close to the fire box.

As the rescuers worked on Jim, Christian's

leg was being BURNED OFF at the knee. But... *that*  
*timing* saved Jim's life!!! **John 15:13. Greater....**

INV. All kinds of Sacrifices have been made for  
you: God. Christ. Parents. Elders.  
Teachers. Christian friends.

Do you have a great sense of appreciation?

Want to SHOW thanks! Acts 2:38. Proves it.

**I JOHN 5:3.**

Have you been selfish and unloving??? Sinful?

Want to SHOW your Repentance???

Invited to PLACE MEMBERSHIP with us.

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