

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

OVERCOMING REJECTION

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PART 2: MAN REJECTS GOD

In our first part of this series we established that man is separated from God from the time of conception. The Bible informs us of the attributes of God, the Devil and man; it is extremely important for every Christian to know and understand these attributes. Let's start by looking at God:

GOD IS LOVE – 1 John 4:16

What is love? The Greek word for divine love is “agape” and the Apostle Paul gave us a definition in his letter to the Galatians:

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.”
Galatians 5:22-23

COMPARING GOD WITH SATAN

Let's continue to enlarge of the definition of love, which is the same as defining God himself.

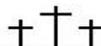
God is a builder. Job 38:1-16	Satan is a destroyer. Isaiah 14:12-17; Ezekiel 28:11-19
Everything God does is good. Genesis 1:10; 12; 18; 21; 25; 31	Everything Satan does is evil. Revelation 13:1-18
God is the giver of life. John 10:1-14	Satan is the taker of life.
God is light. 1 John 1:4-5	Satan is darkness. John 8:44

The creation in which we live is a creation of love. In order for God to protect His creation of love, He has to judge anyone who threatens His love and permanently separate them from it! **Revelation 20:10-15**

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The Devil rejected the love of God. **Isaiah 14:12-14**

Man rejected the love of God. **Genesis 3:6-8**



Since everything God has created is made to live on His love, man in his sinful state is malfunctioning, displaying the traits of the Devil and being destructive on this earth. **Galatians 5:19-21**

BEGINNING TO OVERCOME REJECTION

Our first step to overcome rejection is to acknowledge and confess that God did not reject man, *it was man that rejected God!*

God's response to man's rejection was to send His only begotten Son to redeem mankind. **John 3:16-21**

In order to stop rejecting God, man must learn how to receive the love of God, and this can only happen at the moment of salvation, when the gift of receiving God's love is bestowed upon man. **Romans 5:1-11**

God rules his kingdom with love.

Satan rules his kingdom with force.

Satan is hate. **John 15:17-25**

God's love is unconditional whereas man's love is conditional. Which love are you displaying in your life? 1 John 3:10-24

DO YOU HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR WITH?