

The Greatest Thing in the World

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Beginning to ¶ ending with “Secrets of the Christian Life”

What question has man always asked in one form or another?

WHAT IS THE SUPREME GOOD? [1ST SENTENCE OF CHAPTER]

What were some accustomed to think was the greatest thing?

FAITH. [2ND ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

What does the Scripture identify as the greatest?

LOVE. [2ND ¶, 5TH SENTENCE]

What three things do the Scriptures compare?

FAITH, HOPE, LOVE. [2ND ¶, 9TH SENTENCE]

What did Peter and John say about love?

PETER -- “ABOVE ALL THINGS HAVE FERVENT LOVE AMONG YOURSELVES.” [4TH ¶, 3RD SENTENCE] / JOHN -- “GOD IS LOVE.” [4TH ¶, 5TH SENTENCE]

“Christ said, I will show you a more _____ way. If you do _____ thing, you will do these _____ and ten things, without ever _____ of them. If you _____, you will unconsciously _____ the whole law.”

SIMPLE / ONE / HUNDRED / THINKING / LOVE / FULFIL.
[4TH ¶, 9TH - 11TH SENTENCES]

Explain how the law of love would fulfil commandments such as “Thou shalt have no other gods before Me;” “Take not His name in vain;” and “Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.”

ANSWERS WILL VARY, BUT SHOULD FOCUS ON THE FACT THAT LOVE WILL AUTOMATICALLY DO THOSE THINGS, NOT REQUIRING A COMMAND TO DO THEM. [4TH ¶, 14TH - 21ST SENTENCES]

How does the answer to the previous question apply to the commandments concerning man?

THE SAME ANSWER IS TRUE. [12TH ¶, 22ND - 29TH SENTENCES]

What three aspects of love will the author explore?

LOVE CONTRASTED, ANALYSED, AND DEFENDED. [5TH ¶, 3RD SENTENCE]

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apt -- likely

extant -- standing out

preposterous -- ridiculous, absurd

superfluous -- unnecessary