"Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men" (Matt. 4:19, NASB).

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<u>Ten Truths That Have Proven to Be Valid</u> <u>Over Forty-Five Years of Trying to Help People:</u>

- 1. It is still more blessed to give.
- 2. Love covers a multitude of sins and mistakes.
- 3. Focus your energy on things that can't be purchased.
- 4. Pure and undefiled religion is caring for the orphans, widows, prisoners, and those who have nothing to offer but love and gratitude.
- 5. Being merciful is always the best path.
- 6. Confession is good for the soul, and it will keep you based in reality.
- 7. Live an intentional life of kindness. The world needs it.
- 8. Tell people the truth. It will set them free once they embrace the misery. Also, people who are afraid of it will avoid you like the plague. That's a good thing.
- 9. Pain and difficulty are our friends, if we can look past them to see the clarity they bring.
- 10. Life is not fair. And we all should be happy that is the case. --- Charles Gorman

[Editor's note: Charlie Gorman and I went to high school together and graduated in the same class. Later, he and his wife Martha (we called her Muff) were baptized into Christ, and Charlie labored as a gospel preacher for several years. Also, he has worked as a schoolteacher. WSW] --- Search for Truth, Wayne S. Walker, editor, Oct. 31, 2021

The Kind of Love I Want

It was approximately 8:30 A.M. on a busy morning at the doctor's office when an elderly gentleman in his 80's arrived to have stitches removed from his thumb. He stated that he was in a hurry to make an appointment at 9:00 A.M.

I took his vital signs and had him take a seat, knowing it might be an hour before he would be seen. Seeing him look at his watch, I decided since I was not busy with another patient, I would evaluate his wound. On exam, I saw it was well healed, so I talked to the doctor and got the supplies to remove his sutures.

While dressing his wound, we engaged in conversation. I asked him if he was in a hurry to meet another doctor's appointment. He said no, he needed to go to the nursing home to eat breakfast with his wife. I inquired as to her health. He said that she was a long-time victim of Alzheimer's disease.

I asked if she would be worried if he was a bit late. He replied that she no longer knew who he was; in fact, she had not recognized him in five years. I was surprised and asked, "And you still go every morning, even though she doesn't know who you are?" He smiled, patted my hand, and said, "She doesn't know who I am, but I still know who she is."

I had to hold back tears as he left. Goose bumps covered my arm as I thought, "That is the kind of love I want in my life."

True love is neither physical nor romantic. True love is an acceptance of all that is, has been, will be, and will not be. --- <u>House to House Heart to Heart</u>, Vol. 26, No. 10, pg. 4

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