

South Africa - Mozambique - Release the Writer

The Invisible Foundation

I. THE EFFECTS OF THE UNSEEN

Roots-Nourish **Foundations**-Support **Framing**-Shapes

A. Gift of Grace - Faith to Explore ... after two years

Num 13:2 "Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving... From each tribe...a man..."

The REPORT – It's GREAT but MANY BIG PROBLEMS

30 But Caleb quieted the people before Moses and said, "Let us go up at once and occupy (take possession, inherit) it, for we are well able to overcome it."

LXX ... being powerful we shall prevail against them."

Faith Sees the LOYAL LOVE of God

GOD REMEMBERS OUR BEST LOVE, not our WORST SINS!

Jer 2:1 NIV The word of the LORD came to me: 2 "Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem: "***I remember*** the devotion of your youth, **how as a bride you loved me and followed me through the desert, through a land not sown.**

GOD GIVES US HIMSELF!

Jer 3:14 NIV "**Return**, faithless people," declares the LORD, "for **I am your husband**. I will choose you — one from a town and two from a clan — and bring you to Zion.

II. The Significance of the Invisible

A. First and Great Commandment

Matt 22:36 "Teacher, which is the **great commandment** in the Law?"
37 And he said to him, "You shall **love** the Lord your God with **all** your **heart** and with **all** your **soul** and with **all** your **mind**. 38 This is the great and first commandment.

Mk 12:30, Lk 12:27 and with **all** your **strength**.'

39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

40 On these two commandments **depend all** the Law and the Prophets."

So that we can overcome – more than conquerors!

Deut 6:1 "Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may **do them in the land** to which you are going over, **to possess it**,

3 **Hear** therefore, O Israel, and be careful to **do them, that it may go well** with you, and **that you may multiply greatly**, as the LORD, the **God** of your fathers, has **promised** you, in **a land flowing with milk and honey**.

4 "**Hear**, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. 5 You shall **love the LORD your God** with **all your heart** and with **all your soul** and with **all your might**.

Motivations & Plans, Being, Intensity and Capacity

B. Foundation of a Culture of FAITH & LOVE

Deut 6:6 And **these words** that I command you today shall be **on your heart**. <creative light - separates>

7 You shall **teach** them diligently to your children, and shall **talk** of them when you sit in your house, and when you **walk** by the way, and when you **lie down**, and when you **rise**. <create a culture>

8 You shall bind them as **a sign on your hand**, and they shall be as **frontlets between your eyes**. 9 You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. <good works, that you should walk in them>

III. Love is the STRATEGY

Love OPENS the UNIVERSE & ALL THE PROMISES OF GOD - We LOVE because WE HAVE OPENED THE DOOR to HIS LOVE.

WE RECEIVE HIM and OPEN HIS GIFT!

1 John 4:19 We love because *he first loved us.*

Love is **PARTICIPATION IN THE DIVINE NATURE** - A FLOW

1 John 4:4 Little children, you are from God and **have overcome** them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so **that we might live through him.**

10 In this is love, not that we have loved God **but that he loved us** and **sent his Son** to be the **propitiation for our sins.**

11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.
16 So **we have come to know** and **to believe** the **love that God has for us.** God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

17 **By this is love perfected** **with [among, through]** us, **so that** we may have **confidence** for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world.

18 There is **no fear** in love, but perfect love **casts out fear.** For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.

Rom 5:5 ... ***God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit*** who has been ***given to us.***

THIS IS HOW I FIGHT MY BATTLES

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Eph 3:16 NIV I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, **17** so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, **being rooted and established in love, 18** may have **power**, together with all the saints, **to grasp** how wide and long and high and deep is **the love of Christ, 19** and to **know** this love that surpasses knowledge — that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Ministry to those facing giants – KNOW and BELIEVE HIS LOVE
RECEIVE THE Holy Spirit!

Holy Spirit, Come