

Review: John 15:7-14; Love Is Component of Divine Integrity; Mandate to Love Others Can Be Fulfilled when We Develop Harmonious Rapport with His Integrity

40. I believe it can. In order to be a friend of Christ we must love our fellow believer. In order to love our fellow believer we must first love Christ. In order to do this we must learn His commandments. When we do this we become advanced students in His plan and thus become a player in the Invisible War.
41. The end result is that we are committed to being a follower of Christ, a disciple that is an advanced student. This means we buy into His plan, His guidance, and His policies.
42. We willingly submit to His decisions and conclude all events in the playing out of our lives and the execution of our duties are part of the divine program that will glorify God and ultimately reward us.
43. The idea here is not only cooperation but submission to a system, a plan, and an overall objective that require us to become team players with Christ as our Leader, or in the Greek vernacular, our **πολεμάρχ, Polemarch**: military Commander.
44. Therefore, the love we must develop between each other and with the Lord may be “characterized” by several terms we have been using of late: group harmony, esprit de corps, and *ex^{terik} harmonia*. These may be summarized into one concise term: harmonious rapport.
45. Therefore, when a believer who has harmonious rapport with Christ decides to pray, he is most effective in that prayer when he allows the Holy Spirit to guide his request from his inventory of Bible doctrine.
46. Harmonious rapport would demand that no prayer be prayed that is not in accordance with doctrine and the overall plan of God.
47. Thus the fulfillment of the apodosis in John 15:7 is directly linked to whether or not the believer who offers it has harmonious rapport with both God and Christ.
48. And this harmonious rapport is established by the development of esprit de corps with the Word of God.
49. God is love. He is all knowing. His love does not require the acquisition of knowledge to become what it is. God is absolute righteousness. His standards are absolutes and do not vary or change. Therefore, His love functions in compatibility with His righteous standards. God is just and thus always fair and in complete coordination with the demands of His righteous standards. His love is expressed in accordance with the function of divine justice.