



# THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST BIBLE OUTREACH

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## DAILY DEVOTION DOES LOVE ALWAYS GIVE?

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Love gives wholeheartedly.

However, love does not always give what is being requested. For love seeks the best for the other person. If what is being requested is not the best, then love will not grant that request.

Luke 6:30 NKJ

[30] Give to everyone who asks of you. And from him who takes away your goods do not ask them back.

This verse tells us to give to everyone who asks something of us, but it does not say that we have to give them exactly what they request. We are only instructed to give them something. This is nothing but a necessary understanding of truth.

Otherwise, our actions could be compelled by the demands of people instead of being directed by our Lord Jesus. Luke 6:30 shows the attitude we should have, of always being a giver, but it should not be made into a law that could bind us and open us up to exploitation by the devil and his agents.

Acts 3:6

[6] Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

Love always gives, but it does not always give what is requested.

Love always gives something.

Love may give time, prayer, attention, forgiveness, suggestions, affection, or advice.

This shows that is not only in kind you can give.

If you give your child a nutritious food and refuses to eat what has been prepared, but instead requests biscuits and ice cream, is it truly love to grant the child's request?

On the other hand, a boy of 12 years old asking the parents to get him a car with driver's licence or get him a girl to marry. Will the parent say because they love him grant such requests? NO.

To spoil a child by letting them have, and do, everything they think they want is not love, but the opposite of love.

Just because someone asks for something does not mean you must give it to them. If it is not good for them, it should not be given to them.

Can it be love to withhold something needed from someone? Yes, if other ways of getting their attention have failed, and they are on a course headed for harm.





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If withholding a request has the potential of awakening them, so they can avoid the danger ahead of them, then withholding can be an act of love.

Love always give but does not give everything.

PRAYER: O God make me a wise giver who will be directed by God in my giving.