Doctrinal Studies:

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL LOVE

Revelation 2:6

The ability to separate a person from the problem of his deeds indicates that the believer is residing inside the divine dynasphere (DD). The believer in the DD has objectivity. The believer in the DD has personal love.

1. Personal love for the Lord Jesus Christ makes impersonal love for others possible.
2. Impersonal love is a virtue (moral excellence, goodness, prudence) when directed toward people.
3. Personal love is never a virtue, but a reality - we personally love certain individuals.
4. When personal love is directed toward people it is always directed toward a few (Category II or III).
5. Personal love toward people can be a great thing when there is virtue toward God.
6. But personal love toward people has weakness and problems. The only way to have objectivity is to have impersonal love toward people.

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