

No. 44 Pursue What Builds Loyalty (Symposium)  
-Love

[PLEASE NOTE: This talk includes a video]

HOW DOES LOVE BUILD LOYALTY? (2 min.)

Attachment is strengthened when we lovingly act in another person's interests

[Read 1 Corinthians 10:24; then isolate the following expressions]

*"Keep seeking"*; it is easy to act unselfishly when a relationship is new and intriguing, but genuine love will move us to *keep seeking*  
*"Not his own advantage, but that of the other person"*; putting aside our own immediate interests in favor of those of the other person builds loyalty between us and the recipient

As a perfect bond of union, love can create an unbreakable attachment (Col 3:14)

Especially, then, we should give attention to pursuing self-sacrificing love for Jehovah

HOW TO PURSUE LOVE (4 min.)

Loving acts are preceded by loving thoughts

Meditating on Jehovah's love for us will motivate us to demonstrate our love for him (1Jo 4:16, 19; 5:3)

Out of appreciation for God's love, we delight to pour ourselves out in his service (Php 2:17)

Reflecting on the love and unity of the brotherhood moves us to pursue love for our brothers (Ps 133:1-3; 2Ti 2:22; 1Pe 2:17)

We are motivated to seek ways to put others' interests ahead of our own (Ro 12:10; w10 10/15 16 ¶1-2; 19-20 ¶17-18)

Thinking about the good qualities of our family members and, if married, our mate, leads to loving acts that strengthen loyalty

Rather than 'fall out of love,' we can build love by thinking about our mate's good qualities (g 2/10 4)

Love moves us to reject the myth that life would be better, easier, or happier if we were disloyal to our mate

We need not wait for dramatic circumstances; we can show self-sacrificing love every day by finding ways to make family members and others happy

Being loyal to our family demonstrates loyalty to Jehovah, to whom every family owes its name (Eph 3:14, 15)

Of course, while loving thoughts lead to action, it is also true that acts of love promote loving thoughts

Simplifying our life to expand our ministry is another way to demonstrate our love for Jehovah; note how this is highlighted as we resume our dramatization

VIDEO (3 min.)

WILL YOU PURSUE LOVE? (1 min.)

As shown in the video, love will motivate us to make sacrifices for our brothers and sisters, and it will move us to make sacrifices for Jehovah

Pursuing love will result in an unbreakable bond of loyalty that will last for all eternity

Brother \_\_\_\_\_ will now consider the final part of this symposium, "Pursue What Builds Loyalty-Faith"

TO BE COVERED IN 10 MINUTES