

Calvary's Kingdom Love

Luke 23:33 Amp.

And when they came to the place which is called The Skull in Latin: Calvary; Hebrew: Golgotha, there they crucified Him, and along with the criminals, one on the right and one on the left.

This verse is the only verse in the Bible we see the word Calvary being used. It means a place of skull.

It's called a place of skull for two reasons:

1. Bible prophecy predicted in **Genesis 3:15** Satan's skull would be crushed by the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The Devil's rule over mankind with sin will be broken by the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ. So we call this place Calvary- the place of skull.
2. The second reason Calvary is called a place of skull is because it represents the love of Jesus that we only receive through the death of the self-will. The skull represents a cadaver or a dead persons head.

This is a very significant hidden revelation God wants to reveal because it defines HIS description of the meaning of love.

- The choice we are all given by free will is, what Kingdom will you choose to live in? Because that choice you must make will determine your definition of love by your actions and not by your words or some common theology you espouse out of family traditions.
- God's love is defined through Gods kingdom whom Jesus declared he was King over.
- The Kingdom of Jesus Christ has a ruler and has specific guiding principles to live by based on the character and nature of Jesus Christ according to **Colossians 2:10** where it says Jesus has complete authority and rule over heaven and earth. **1 Peter 3:22** says Jesus has all power and authority over angels and other powers in the heavens. **Math. 11:27** says Jesus was given all power by the Father both in heaven and earth. And finally, **Phil. 2:10** says every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus is Lord. Clearly Jesus is a King with His own Kingdom and with His own definition of love.
- His love crushed Satan's head at Calvary ushering in His Kingdom on earth.
- When He fills a person with the baptism of the Holy Ghost speaking with other tongues and are baptized in Jesus name they enter the Kingdom through much tribulation **Acts 14:22** tells us.
- Now the Kingdom of Heaven is within you according to **Luke 17:21**. God's true definition of love is within you ready to operate relationally amongst us.
- Jesus is telling us through this opening verse He has a distinction of love unlike all other loves. All because of Calvary's definition of love. And God is expecting his church to carry out and go forth with this kind of Kingdom love in the earth starting with our own families, church members, and then our communities and nation. This definition of love is defined by the place of skull or the place where self-dies so His love can live through us.

It's important we have this discussion because there are many other kingdoms and other forms of love in the world that out shines that of Christ centered believers:

1. The Hindus for example have a culture in their belief system that displays incredible placed inner peace that many Christians do not have.
2. You have many mid-eastern religions that channel energy and power through them with out of body experiences that demonstrates a greater personal power than some Christian believers. Especially when they get into yoga and trance meditation. There is a real power in all of this.
3. You have witchcraft and voodoo and spiritualist who continuously fast and pray and experience incredible powers in the human flesh. I know some of these people and I have seen this in operation. This kind of spiritual force is very real but it does not originate from the place of the skull called Calvary.
4. You have Islam that has an incredible holiness standard for their ladies that dwarfs and is superior to apostolic women.
5. The Mormon faith teaches a very strict holiness standard as well. They cannot smoke cigarettes, drink coffee or hot drinks. Watching TV is banned on Sundays. The missionaries can only call home twice a year. They give up their comfort to go around the country to minister their belief system. This is very impressive. This takes love to do this.
6. It takes love to go door to door like the Jehovah Witness does throughout America.
7. My wife said while in Russia she saw some very passionate people practicing their faith but it wasn't Apostolic. You cannot deny these people are not practicing love both in their culture and in their religion and faith system.
8. I want to show you this video clip of another kind of definition of love

But in all of these areas that are, there is one thing I find missing that perverts love. It's the spirit of Calvary and the cross that must accompany love. You cannot get bible based fruit in love without practicing the principles of the cross of Jesus Christ.

- Paul said the cross is the power of God.
- **Acts 1:8** tells us we get our power to love from the cross
- We cannot love our wives without the power of the cross.
- Calvary is the single biggest act of Jesus' life that defines you and me in our definition of being a follower of Jesus Christ.
- **Calvary's power is the force the enables us to love sacrificial, and with great inconvenience relationally.**
- Humanism love and this one world religion love that allows you to define your own definition of love will not allow you to define love through Calvary because this makes love too restrictive. You now must identify to the lordship accountability of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ for the love you espouse to others.
- All direction for our daily priorities and the use of our resources come from this definition of Calvary's love. Paul said in **1 Cor. 2:2**, "I only know Christ and Him crucified". **1 Cor. 1:18** says, 'the cross is the power of God for you and in demonstrating relational love'. I'm referring to Calvary's Kingdom love.

- With Calvary's Kingdom love, we all can experience the opportunity for relational healing and miracles. This is what the place of skull according to **Isaiah 53:3-5**. Talk about the events around the world with the Taliban.
- Jesus wants you and me to direct all humanity back to Calvary's act of love so people can be healed and delivered from their sins and relational issues. You don't have to condemn people who don't agree with your faith system. You don't have to judge or be critical with them as well.
- We are commanded to practice this kind of love for each other on a daily basis. Otherwise we are practicing our own version of human love without the power of Calvary's love.
- There is no greater love than Calvary's love in all the earth.

Calvary's Kingdom love is activated through personal repentance. It's activated through your own will choosing to give God praise and worship. This releases the presence of His kingdom some can experience His love.

- ✓ It's practicing sacrifice from Calvary's love relationally.
- ✓ It's practicing meditation of God's word so you can have Calvary's definition of love.
- ✓ The King and His subjects to practice declaring to others this kind of power can help and heal their lives.

Submitting to Calvary's Kingdom love requires humility and repentance. Because there are competing philosophies and distractions that seek to neutralize your effectiveness in the Kingdom.

- When I look back at the brutal love of the place called skull it makes me want to renew myself in the fear of God.
- Because when I reject, ignore, or become complacent with Calvary's love I am left wide open to satanic and humanistic influences that I cannot find answers for in my life. I become apathetic to the pain of others.
- Calvary's love comes with the commitment I must get power from the cross to put up with you and sacrifice for others.
- We must allow Calvary's love to control our goals, our values, and our relational love. We must, like the apostles, be driven by this kind of love. Paul said this kind of love comes.
- We are all called to carry a cross in discipleship relationships.
- Jesus promises us power that comes from this.
- Some of you carry your own kind of a cross that doesn't come from Calvary and you wonder why you are not bearing fruit in a relationship.
- Calvary's love is prioritized first with what Jesus asks from you personally for His Kingdom. Apply the cross to your flesh, your passions, and your affections. Bring under subjection your passions, your emotions, and mind and will first to Calvary's love. Then seek to serve and sacrificial give to others. Otherwise you are really trying to love out of your own philosophies. For the kingdom of Heaven is within you. I'm not living Calvary's kingdom love when my mind will and emotions are not under control of this kind of love constrains me to live the way I do.

Let's read **Mark 8:34** -again love is defined by Calvary's love, which has three ingredients I want to share with you in a minute.

But let's look at the different kinds of love we experience or see in people.

1. **Manipulation love**- you do for me and I will do for you.
2. **Seeking approval love** for my self-esteem.

3. Competition love

4. **Human decency love**- just treat people the way you want to be treated love.
5. **Universal one world God love**- God's personal name or doctrine is not important as long as you demonstrate love to your fellow man.
6. Satan and your flesh always want us to put our self-will first before Calvary's love, **Mark 15:30**. They said, "Save yourself Jesus and come down from the cross".
7. So when you are experiencing loneliness, rejection, and emptiness, it does mean God wants you to reach out after Him through prayer and the love of His word to put loneliness and rejection into Calvary's Kingdom perspective. You need cross love to do this. Because His love is tangible through prayer to be experienced.
8. Calvary's love tells you to now you must endure hardness and let me harden you to difficulties. Let me show you how to see My love for you through Calvary's rejection and loneliness. Calvary is the power to endure hard relational experiences to make you more like Jesus.

Altar call close- Kingdom Calvary love is defined in three words:

- 1) ***Passion***
- 2) ***power and***
- 3) ***purity***

- Like a woman who expands hormonally and increased estrogen to increase her capacity to bring a child through her body, we must spiritually do the same. In order to bring and push through us more passion, more power, and more purity we must push like a pregnancy in worship and in travailing prayer until we experience change.
1. Crying out for more power to increase my capacity to perform the will of God. To walk in courage. To face our fears and still stand for God's word. That's why they tarried in Jerusalem for the Holy Ghost power. Blind Bartimaeus cried out. Crying out for the power releases God's grace into our situation. So we want to do this today. Cavalry's miracle healing love wants to be lashed amongst us today but you must cry out for it in worship and prayer and repentance.
 2. To cry out for more passion to love selflessly against our self-centered nature. We don't stop fading self-help books. But this kind of love comes from tapping into the vine of prayer and intercession. The old times moaned and groaned. For God looked down from heaven to see those who are seeking after Him. He saw the groaning of His people and brought His kingdom and presence to visible manifestation. They wanted Calvary's love and no other love. They knew there was a real power and passion to this kind of love to increase their capacity to love others and perform the miraculous.
 3. To cry out for more purity to get my motives right for being used. For thinking with purity towards my family and saints and my family and my enemies. I need more of a servant's heart. I still think way too critical of loved ones and saints and people not like me. I need Calvary's Kingdom love. The Kingdom of God is peace, righteousness, and joy in the Holy Ghost. Weeping may endure for a night through crying out but God will increase my capacity to love and for purity. This is how you get the Holy Ghost.

Can we cry out, shout out, and seek for this passion, this power and this purity by our worship and intercession? It's Calvary's Kingdom love that is superior to all other kingdom loves in your life.