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Love God, Love People

Prov. 3:3-4 Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.

Of course, Proverbs is so full of practical wisdom for us all, but have you thought about the phrase; write them on the tablet of your heart? What does that exactly mean? I like this quote I read not too long ago - The heart is like a sponge and soaks up whatever is around it. Whatever we soak our hearts in becomes our treasure. If the water is dirty, then the treasure is dirty. If the water is pure, then the treasure of the heart will be pure. - Anonymous

I believe the essence of what the Bible teaches us all is to focus on loving continuously. All day, every day, all day long. We can be so scattered with so many things fighting for our attention. The only way to calm our hearts and our minds is to do as God commands us in Psa. 46:10 He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

As a young boy that was probably ADD before they knew what that was, be still was not ever a part of me. To get my attention was not really possible except for the method my Mom used. When she needed me to "hear" her, she would take her hands and put them on each side of my face and have me look into her face and she would say, "listen!" When she had my attention, then she could relay any information needed.

God is lovingly holding our face and saying, "Be still...listen" This is a be still moment in scripture - let love and faithfulness never leave you. Keep love in the forefront of your mind today and every day. Look at others through His eyes. See them as He sees them. He loves them so. And so should we.

Dear Lord, help me love you and others all day, every day, with the love that you have so generously poured out upon me. In Jesus Name, Amen