

The Right Rule of Our Love to Christ

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The right rule of our love to Christ is to love him as the Father loves him, by choosing him as our Saviour and Surety, and putting all things in his hand.

Scripture: Psalm 55:22, Psalm 62:8, Matthew 11:28, John 3:16, Colossians 1:19, Hebrews 4:15

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Description

Ralph Erskine emphasizes the importance of loving Christ as the Father loves Him. Our love for Christ should mirror the Father's love by choosing Him as our Savior and Surety, just as God chose Him for that purpose. We are called to entrust all aspects of our lives to Christ, just as the Father entrusted all things into His hand, including our hearts, souls, plagues, corruptions, wants, work, and burdens. By surrendering everything to Christ, we demonstrate our love for Him and acknowledge His roles as Prophet, Priest, and King in our lives.

Transcript

See here the right rule of our love to Christ, namely to love him as the Father loves him. Wherein should our love to Christ resemble the Father's love? Why, the Father's love to the Son was evidenced in choosing him to be our Saviour and Surety: so should our love to Christ be manifested in making choice of him to be our Saviour and Surety; insomuch, that as God hath laid all our help upon him, so we should lay all our help where God hath laid it.

Again, the Father's love to the Son was evidenced in giving all things into his hand: thus should our love to Christ be evidenced in putting all things in his hand as the Father doth; and particularly, you may put your hearts in his hand, that he may keep them; put your souls in his hand, that he may save them; put your plagues in his hand, that he may heal them; put your corruptions in his hand, that he may weaken and subdue them.

Put your wants in his hand, that he may supply them; put your work in his hand, that he may work all your works in you, and for you; put your burdens in his hand, that he may bear them: put all things in his hand, and thus evidence your love to him, by putting honour upon him as a Prophet, to teach you; as a Priest, to pardon; and as a King, to conquer you by his grace, and crown you with his glory.

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