

WHERE IS THE LOVE?

SCRIPTURE READING – Leviticus 19:33-34

INTRODUCTION

WHERE IS THE LOVE FOR IMMIGRANTS?

- A. Old Testament principles
 - a. Prohibition of mistreatment and oppression – Exodus 22:21, 23:9
 - b. Requirement to “love him as yourself” – Leviticus 19:34, Deuteronomy 10:19
 - c. Prohibition of perverting justice due them – Deuteronomy 24:17, 27:19
 - d. Requirement to include them in the distribution of tithes – Deuteronomy 26:11-13
 - e. The current crisis in Gaza is rooted in mistreatment and harm of strangers!
- B. New Testament principle and encouragement
 - a. Love your brother – 1 John 4:7-20
 - b. Part of our ultimate reward – Matthew 25:31-44
- C. Proposed mass deportation violates both O.T. and N.T. principles and is counterproductive
 - a. 2.4 million farm jobs unfilled
 - b. 31.3% of marketed yield left in fields post-harvest
 - c. Higher number of migrants and H-2A visas correlated with lower inflation, higher wages and lower unemployment

WHERE IS THE LOVE FOR THE INNOCENT?

- A. Shedding of innocent blood was taken very seriously – Deuteronomy 19:8-11, 21:1-9
- B. Evidence of Manasseh’s sinfulness, God would not pardon it – 2 Kings 21:16, 24:4
- C. Hallmark of a throne of iniquity – Psalm 94
- D. The unborn as innocents – Genesis 9:6, Exodus 21:22-23

WHERE IS THE LOVE FOR WOMEN?

- A. Love your wives as their own bodies – Ephesians 5:28
- B. To give ourselves for our wives – not the other way around

WHERE IS THE LOVE FOR TRUTH?

- A. Lawless one with power, signs and lying wonders – 2 Thessalonians 2:9
- B. Unrighteous deception among those who perish – 2 Thessalonians 2:10
- C. God will send them strong delusion – 2 Thessalonians 2:11

CLOSING

- A. Where is The Love? – 1 John 4:7-20