Unconditional Love? by Greg Elmquist

CONDITIONAL LOVE

God's love for us is conditioned upon God's wrath being poured out on His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

2 Corinthians 5:21

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"God is love" I John 4:8. He defines love. He is the source of all true love. Any 'love' that is inconsistent with His love is no love at all. So, where did man get the notion of "unconditional love"? Well, obviously from his perverted view of God. For the God that is, knows nothing of unconditional love. Our God loves Righteousness and hates iniquity, Heb. 1:9. The Lord loves The Righteous, Ps. 147:8. There is one huge condition on God's love... Absolute Perfect Righteousness. To say God loves anything or anyone else is to blaspheme His Holiness. The Lord Jesus Christ (and by imputation those that are in Him), is the only object of God's love. '...the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord' Rom. 8:39. Those who talk of unconditional love deny God's glory in salvation by denying the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ. The essence of His nature (Righteousness), and the purpose of HIS death (Substitution and Satisfaction), was so that God's condition for love would be met. Mark it down, those who talk of unconditional love do so to cover up and excuse their own sin. It may fool men but God is still angry. And what a fearful thing it is to fall into the hands of an angry God.

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