

A BETTER WORLD

Proverbs 19:22a

What is desired in a man is steadfast love (ἔλεος)

Much lament occurs these days over how unkind, unfaithful, and unloving our world has become. Even small children are convinced that mankind should not act in this way. We desperately long for kindness and goodness to be in our world and communities.

Proverbs 20:6

Many a man proclaims his own steadfast love (ἔλεος),
but a faithful man who can find?

Most everyone says they have it (ἔλεος), but the proof is in the pudding.

Proverbs 20:11-12

Even a child makes himself known by his acts,
by whether his conduct is pure and upright.
The hearing ear and the seeing eye,
the Lord has made them both

The reality is this: man does not know what steadfast love, kindness, mercy, and faithfulness (ἔλεος) are without a definition and an example.

Psalms 86:15

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love (ἔλεος) and faithfulness.

Mankind cannot know nor practice it (ἔλεος) without knowing God first, for he is the embodiment of it (ἔλεος). If we desire a better world in which mankind treats one other with kindness, faithfulness, and love, we must assure that they know the wholeness, purity, and beauty of the originator and the definition of it (ἔλεος). God is ἔλεος, and we were not only created in his image but also to bear that image to the world.

No wonder it is so important that we share God with the world. This is precisely why we must let our light shine (Mt. 5:16-17), love our neighbors (Mt. 22:34-40), and even our enemies (Mt. 5:43-48).

Ephesians 5:1-2

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The love of God is the key to a better world.

Eyes up!
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