

FIRST LOVE GATE

We need to have our first love gate in our spirit open and flowing.

In order to fulfill the first commandment, we have to experience personally what it means to have the first love gate in our spirit open and flowing. What God commands us; He enables us to do through His Spirit.

First love is the eternal love of God. It is a divine love and not a human love. It is a self-less love that is totally focused on another person, and not itself. This love has to capture our heart in such a way, that it becomes the focus of our attention.

How do we open the first love gate? Our spirit is directly related to our will in the new birth of our spirit. Our spirit is directly related to our voice. So all we have to do is say, Father I want to experience your divine love, I want it to have first place in my life. I ask you to reveal yourself to me; I want to experience your presence. I want to experience your Love. And then just keep believing that we are going to experience Him.

It is hard to know if our spirit is open unless we are aware of it. If we can pray in tongues, we pray in tongues becoming aware of our spirit and then we say Lord I open my spirit to you and ask you to be lord over it.

God works in us to will, so just the desire in us to open our spirit is our spirit responding to God, and this is opening our spirit. Our spirit has a yes in it to God, so when we are aware of the yes in our spirit our spirit is open and active.

Once we become aware of our spirit, the part of us that is God conscious, it stays open as long as we are looking to the Lord, it is becoming God dependant.

Opening our spirit is just becoming aware of it, becoming aware of our spirit in fellowship with the Holy Spirit. We need to understand the qualities of having a right spirit. What is a right spirit? It is those qualities that are in the heart of God that begin to be expressed through us when our spirit is in fellowship with His.

When we have a right spirit, The Spirit of God comes forth in it and manifests through it. When our spirit is right with God, His divine nature comes forth within it.

In the book of revelation we see that the church of Ephesus had left her first love, she was told to remember from where she had fallen, to repent and do the first works.

They became so busy working for God that they lost that connection between their spirit and God's Spirit.

Because the Ephesians had experienced first love, they were told to remember it. If we can remember what it was like when we first got saved, then our spirit has the ability to experience it again. This is why it is important to journal our experiences with God so that we can revisit them.

First love is experiencing the presence of God, where He becomes more real than our surroundings. First love is experiencing the presence of God in such a way that we are partaking of the nature of it. In His presence we experience His love for us which passes our ability to comprehend how someone could love us so much. We begin to

experience His Joy which surpasses any pleasurable feelings we have known so that we cannot describe it adequately with words.

In His manifest presence there is a fullness of joy, we are totally satisfied, and we have no other desires in that moment in time. When we are in His presence we can feel His love for us which breaks us, it causes us to weep with tears of joy. In a meeting with the Lord His love is imparted to us and all we want to do is give Him everything.

There is nothing greater in this world than to experience first love. It will cause us to abandon all, to become willing to do anything to stay in His presence. We will not let anything remain in our heart that will hinder that visitation.

First love is the revelation of God's love for us in a personal way where we experience Him manifesting Himself to us, we become intoxicated with His Spirit. Our emotions are energized with God. It is called joy unspeakable and full of glory.

First love is the doorway into supernatural experiences with God. There is an excitement in this love. It is the joy of our salvation; it is the penetration of God into us. It causes everything to look different. It is an encounter with God where we experience the fruit of the Spirit.

If we have ever experienced the presence of God in an overwhelming way, it was because this gateway in our spirit was open enough for God to come into our world. It is called being filled with the Spirit where we have drunk so much of God that we have become intoxicated.

This is a two way gateway, not only can we experience God literally coming into us in such a way that we can hardly stand, but God can take us into his world where we go into a trance or have visions, we become a mystic.

This is the journey we are on, it is called loving God with all our spirit, soul, body, heart, strength, everything within us.

The Holy Spirit is going to teach us how to do this; we just never had any teaching on it.

If we seek the Lord with all our heart we will find him, it is called having a meeting with the Lord.

We have to learn how to worship Him; this is the fastest way for Him to show up. We have to learn how to sing a new song every day until we have a meeting of the Lord in it. We have to really start learning how to love people, because we will meet the Lord in it

When we have a meeting with the Lord, there is no mistaking it; He becomes more real to us, than our awareness of anything else. No matter what we are doing, we are experiencing God in it.

We need to come to the place where we are always looking for Him. The people who have been in love on the human level know all about this. You cannot wait to see the one you love. The moment the phone rings we run to answer it; you are always listening for that phone to ring. You are always looking at that picture of the one you love. That's the way we live, we are always thinking about that person, looking forward to the next time we meet. It becomes a heavenly obsession when you're in love with someone who really loves you. This is how it is suppose to be with the Lord. This is part of what it means to know the Lord. Our hearts cry out to have a meeting with the Lord, we want to hear His voice, and it is not a burden to do that which pleases the one we love.

When we are expecting a meeting with the one we love, we get dressed up; we are on our best behavior. These are the people that are looking for Him; this is the bride of Christ, that prepares herself so that she is ready to be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. It is being

raptured or having an ecstasy and we do not have to wait for the second coming to experience it.

When we love the Lord, the cry of our heart is draw me Lord, and I will run after you.

It is the cry of the bride who finds that in a moment of slumber He is gone, and she can't find him—she runs to and fro and the watchmen of the city abuse her, but cannot stop her, she will not stop until she meets him, she is lovesick. (Song of Solomon 5:5–8).

If our spirit is alive unto God, there is a hunger in it for God, there is a driving force in it, and if we are not aware of it, we need to stir it up. This should be our strongest desire, to have a meeting with the Lord. If it is not there our spirit is asleep, or other things have entered our heart and have distracted our focus on Him. The Lord's presence is not far off; this is the time of His Presence.

Our growth in the lord is an awareness of His Spirit, in our awareness of His Spirit; His Spirit is transferred into us. So the Holy Spirit is going to teach us how to wait upon the lord, how to meditate upon the Lord, how to worship the Lord, how to practice the presence of the Lord, so that we become more aware of Him, as we behold His Gory we are changed into the same image.