

love to others. That, Jesus Christ said was the other commandment which is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. Love thy neighbor as thyself. We need to think about this and you notice he said, "thy neighbor." He didn't say, Love the people on the other side of the world, as yourself. He didn't say love humanity in general so that you try to invent a plan for a new world in which justice shall universally reign. He started with those nearest to us: love thy neighbor as thyself.

That doesn't mean that that stops there. But there are many who find it very easy to think they are to show great love to ~~xxx~~ those at a great distance from them who are very harsh and mean and rude in dealing with those who are close to them.

I've been greatly interested in recent months in dabbling in a book called, In Search of History by Theo. H. White. A reporter who has had a very interesting life and has had contacts with many important events of the last 50 years. In this book Mr. White brought out some things that I thought shed interesting light on this. He describes, for instance, he was brought up in quite a liberal background, a background of those ~~wix~~ who were quite dissatisfied with the world as it is and thought they knew ways to make it better. On two occasions he was for a time a member of the editorial staff of so-called liberal magazines. He said he found these liberal magazines were most illiberal on their insistence on absolute conformity to the will of the editor by everyone connected with it.

The second ~~with~~ with which he was connected was ~~for~~ for the 20 years or so it existed it had a tremendous influence among most of the members of the bureaucracy in our government. He said this that was claiming to stand for liberalism and human welfare, etc. he said the Editor of it while this was the attitude he claimed to take while in treating his reporters and his editorial~~x~~ writers he would scream at them, yell at them, throw things at them and make them do things just this way and that way. While he talked of wishing welfare for all of humanity his attitude toward people near him was the exact opposite!

So God commands us to love our neighbor, but of course he then shows us that our neighbor is not restricted to the man next door by the illustration he gave of the Good Samaritan where he showed that this attitude is not to be restricted by whether people agree with us. That we are to have an attitude of seeking the welfare of people even if they are not close to us. But true love must start with those who are near us.

Certainly it is very important that we think of this in relation to our spouses, in relation to our children. It is very easy for Christian workers to neglect the Christian upbringing of their children. To get so busy in the Lord's work that they neglect their own children, at least that they neglect their spiritual welfare. I was talking the other day with a Christian leader whose father had been a very famous Bible teacher. Somebody said to him, Oh with a father such as yours, this famous Bible teacher who is giving