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THE AFFECTION AND BENEVOLENCE OF A MAN.....

There Are So Many Single Souls, Here In The City Of Seattle. About 57% Of Us.

And there is So Precious Few, Living in the Realm of True Family Life here.

They Say, That Loner's Here Have Plenty Of Company, but I don't see it.....

We Stand Tall Like A Cold And Lonely Mountain. Beautiful On The Outside, But Frozen In Our Very Heart.

'Company', is more than People Rushing By You, as if you weren't even there.



And Yes, One, is the Loneliest number!

There is a Verse In the Bible: "A Friend Loves At All Times, And A Brother Is Born For Adversity." Proverb 17:17.

But we live in a World of Little Affection.

For Years, or Months, A Man Can Care About 'A Woman', only to find out in a day, that He's made himself Very Vulnerable, by his Caring. And now He 'takes the fall of clear rejection' from her, and loses even, any remaining friendship at all with her. In her eyes, he's now just a dead Man walking, that, she hopes, that she does not even have to See, Anywhere.

Selfishness and Self Preservation, is the greatest Sin, in many Women. They feel, They Must Destroy, Even The Kindness of a Man, Who would come along for a time, to help Her, get through some discouragement & Adversity. But Some Women Couldn't Even Care Less.

During the days leading up to HIS Cross, Jesus Christ saw what was ahead for Him: "Because Lawlessness Shall Increase, The Love Of Many Will Wax Cold." Matthew 24:12. (Speaks Of Our Time To).

The Love Jesus Is Talking About here is—

— **Agape** (A Greek word) which means: Affection and Benevolence.

Affection is the Expression of Care. it symbolizes **Approval**, Comfort, Protection and Security. Affection is not just an emotion. Emotions can change quickly.

In the Region of The Galilee, There Was Great Affection For Jesus! In Jerusalem, Most People's Affection For JESUS Waxed Cold..... As Lawlessness around HIM Grew.

From "JESUS BE OUR KING?" To "Crucify Him!" How Fickle is human nature when it comes to Really Caring About Anybody, But Our Selves.

What will people think about Me, if I Show That I Care About HIM?

I have walked 56 Years Among Men, And I have Seen Men Willing To Make Themselves Vulnerable, Even Reproachable, before a Woman They chose to let themselves be known by.

That way, if that Woman Expressed Disapproval or Disappointment of him, he can walk away knowing that she had no affection at all, for him.

By Presenting Themselves As Vulnerable, Open, Known, and Even Weak in Appearance; Men Are Able To Test The Heart Of 'A Woman' They Care Enough About....To Run That Risk. Even Risking All Their Own Self-Esteem, while Still Being Willing to Cherish Whom They Chose To Cherish. **That Is Agape Affection!**

A Man doesn't have to have a Woman's Love. But If There Is No Respect, there is No Incentive to him, to relate on any level with her.

That's why, when "A Woman" Rejects

a Man, what he sees, more than lack of Love, Is Lack Of Respect.

Though Ending the Affection, He has Shown for her, may be difficult for Him to do emotionally, Disrespect and Rejection at least Closes His Mind To Her. And His Heart, like the heart of most Men, could be hardened a little more Toward Women In General, If He Allowed That.

Some Suppose That JESUS Died Of A Broken Body? No, His death began with the Rejection and Betrayal Of An Old Familiar Friend!

Man May Find Himself Affectionate Towards 'A Woman' Who May Eventually Become The Bride Of Another Man. This Can Be Heart Rending, Unless We Take The Same Stand That John The Baptist Took When He Said: "A Man Can Receive Nothing, Except It Be Given To Him From Heaven. ...I'M Not The Bridegroom, Though I Was Sent **Before HIM**. **HE** That HOLDS The BRIDE IS THE BRIDEGROOM. But The FRIEND Of The Bridegroom Rejoices Greatly, Because Of The Bridegrooms Addressing HIS BRIDE. **Therefore My JOY Is Satisfied. HE Needs to Increase, but I must decrease in rank and influence.** (John 3:27-30).

So As Men. We Have To Love. It Is In Our Heart To Do So. We Just Have To Keep Love Within, Until We Find It's Right Recipient.

Through All The Pain That's Afflicting and Assaulting The Heart Of Man, it Would Be To Easy To Let AGAPE, WAX COLD! But We Must Keep This Affection & Benevolence Alive!