

Offerings of the Heart - Larry Arnburg

Well, I guess it's afternoon now, isn't it, everybody? So, good afternoon. Well, nice to be here with you all.

When I look through scripture,

there's a... and I forgot to look it up. God says that when you find gold, a nugget, and it's buried in a field. You sell everything you have, and buy that field, and then go back and dig that nugget up. I love looking for the nuggets in Scripture, and I like looking for things that God just put in there, and doesn't necessarily explain it, just put it in there. But He does explain it throughout the Bible. So it comes in handy. So I want you to turn to Genesis 4, where am I here, Genesis 4, 7. Of course, excuse me, Genesis 4, 1 to 7.

But before I get into that, I want to read you something at the start of this. And then I'm going to read it again at the end to see if your understanding of what I'm trying to get my message through makes a difference. It's just under the heading of offerings. The Bible frankly refers to offerings as sweet savor or a pleasing aroma. To the Lord in the context of burn offerings. These references emphasize how obedience to offerings was a form of worship and devotion that pleased God. These references of sweet Savior and pleasing Roman are mentioned multiple times in Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers. The exact phrase varies slightly, but the meaning is consistent. God accepted the offerings as favorable.

Don't have to remember that because I'm going to read it back to you at the end. Let's just read 4 /1 just so we can get it down pat. Adam knew his wife, knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bared Cain and said, "I've gotten a man from the Lord." Verse 2, "And she again bared brother Abel, and Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground, two totally different occupations. In the process of time it came to pass that Cain brought forth the fruit of the ground and offering unto the Lord. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock, very important, and of the fat thereof, and the Lord had respect unto Abel for his, and his to his offering. But unto Cain, and to his offering, he had not respect. And Cain was very rough, and his continence fell, and the Lord said unto Cain, Why art thou rough, and why is thy continence fallen? For if thou doest well, shall thy not be accepted, and if thou do not well, sin lieth at the door, and unto thee shall be his desire and I shall rule over him." Now where I mentioned in there is there of why he didn't accept his offer. So I'm gonna go through this, hopefully, and with what I read before, you'll come to understand.

I'm going to outline the reasons and I've got this all in there.

"Cain's sacrifice was rejected by God, the key reasons, including issues of quality, of attitude, of obedience, and potential sin. I'm going to explore how these ties into a broader themes of worship of sacrifices in the Bible. Story on Cain's sacrifice appears in Genesis 4 .1 -7, which we just read. According to the text,

Cain brought an offering to God from the fruits of the ground.

Not first fruits, doesn't say it, just of the fruits of the ground.

Well, his brother Abel brought the firstborn of his flock and the fat portions.

That's extremely important in this whole thing of what he did, what he brought. God regarded Abel's offering with favor, but he did not regard Cain's offering.

The question is why? And I have never, of all the messages I've ever listened to, heard anybody explain this. That's why I checked into it real close. This led to Cain being very angry and eventually murdering his brother, which we read in the scripture. The biblical text does not specifically state why God rejected Cain's offering, but several interpretations have been offered based on scriptural content and theological reason. Cain's offering was likely rejected because it did not reflect the proper quality, faith, obedience, and attitude. God's response indicated Cain had the opportunity to correct his behavior.

but instead chose to harbor resentment and commitment, or commit a great sin, excuse me. Now, think back,

Genesis,

we don't have nothing really from Genesis to Abraham to explain covenant, to explain what God wanted everybody to do, the laws of the government.

But it's pretty hard to ignore everything that's in the first part of the Bible because God is very particular in detail.

He doesn't let small things lie aside. He goes over it and over it and over it and All you have to do is go back and get sick and tired of reading Leviticus and Numbers Leviticus and Exodus. And you understand totally why I say that statement of that. He repeats it and repeats it. Even in some of the verses he repeats it twice and then repeats again in another one. So he's very meticulous. It's extreme and a lot of people say, "Well, he had to explain it to Adam and Eve." No, he didn't had to. He did explain it to Adam and Eve. He told him not to eat from the tree of knowledge, of good and evil. So he's very meticulous in what he says.

Even if he doesn't say it at the beginning, the details come out in Exodus, for example, when Moses comes down from the mountain, all the details, he says, "Retell him," is what he's telling him to do.

So, King's rejected sacrifice connects deeply with several broader biblical themes about worship and sacrifice. And I'm going to go over a few of those. Worship must come from the heart.

God consistently emphasizes the heart posture over mere ritual.

So just doing it for the sake of doing it is no good in God's eyes. In both the Old and the New Testaments, true worship must be sincere, it must be humble, and it must be faithful.

It can't be any other way. It doesn't mean anything to God. I'll get into a few scriptures later on to emphasize that fact. Cain may have gone through the motions of worship, but without genuine faith and devotion, something able to demonstrate it.

If you go to Hebrews 11.

Hebrews 11 says,

by faith able offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain.

By which he obtained witness that he was righteous. God testifying of his gifts and by and by it he being dead yet speaketh. This action speak louder than words, right?

And it's recorded in the Bible. Another part is hard and

In Hebrews 11 .4, which I just read, in the New Testament says, "By faith, Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain." Implying that Abel's heart and faith was more pleasing to God, Cain's attitude may have been lacking a genuine devotion of reverence. I'll just take some fruit through the little ground.

Now think about this for example. And this is an if, which I think was not an if.

If God had explained to Cain and Abel, and at that time Adam and Eve, that when you come to sacrifice, you fast at sacrifice with blood.

That means animal sacrifice. That means your first names.

You can't get the blood of an apple or a potato.

So keep that kind of in the back of your mind as you're thinking of that sacrifice that he made. Then it was just, "Well, I'm a farmer." But he could have went to

Amel and said, "Amel, look, I've got to bring a sacrifice to God that he wants."

Can I trade some of my apples my pears my potatoes my my carrots for one of your lamps and Taking it to God and being in the right heart and in the right mind that God wants you to be when you're sacrificing to him Okay,

keep in mind the sweet aroma You don't even get aroma of a burning a map or a potato. Not the kind that comes from meat and fat.

I live in a neighborhood where there's a townhouse complex and there's lots of rows there. One of the nicest things I can do is rope my backyard. And you know what? Somebody else is barbecuing.

And I can smell it and it brings a sense of delight to you and it says Larry go back into the house and grab a steak

but that's that's the sense of it that that's the importance of of understanding how God feels about it that he loves that aroma because he knows it's a sacrifice and let's face it that's what he tells us to bring before him now we don't do that today but I'll get to that later on the principles of the first and the best.

Biblical sacrifices often require the firstborn or the firsthoods.

Exodus 13 -2. Let's just skip over that. Read this because there's short ones. Exodus 13 Exodus 13 -2,

it says,

"Sanctify unto me

all the firstborn whatsoever opened the womb among the children of Israel, both of men and of beast. It is mine.

You're not giving something that's yours, you're giving something that's God's and Proverbs 3 .9. Let's go over there.

Proverbs 3 .9.

It says, "Honor the Lord with thy substance and with the first fruit of all thy increase." That's what God wants. "The quality of offering Abel brought the first fruit," which is the first part I read, "and the fat portions." The fat is where you get the smell. Terms associated with the best and the most valuable parts of

the flock. Cain's offering in contrast is described simply as an offering of the fruits of the ground.

With no indication that it was the best of the first fruits, this suggests that Cain may have offered a lesser quality gift, even if it was of the ground.

King's offerings lack an indication of this principle which may have failed to honor God as supreme

It's only one supreme There's only one give me a death of this if you're the supreme can't Supreme commander of the army There ain't nobody above you You'll you're the top dog, and that's what God is. I'm not saying he's a top dog, but he's... don't take that the wrong way. Okay, blood sacrifices as an atonement.

Abel's animal sacrifice prefigures the later Levitical system, and ultimately Christ's atoning for death. In Hebrews 9 .22 it says,

I'm just going to pick the part of it over here. Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. That in the back of your mind. Obedience and instruction. Some scholars believe that God had already given instructions about what kind of sacrifice were acceptable.

Possibly including the shedding of blood as a foreshadowing of atonement. So if Cain's offering of produce might have ignored this instruction

Remember that, ignored the instruction If God had already instructed them about the acceptance of sacrifices as some scholars agree to Cain's grain offering could reflect disobedience or defiance You know as I've said to you that he could have went and got some meat from maybe trading to honor the honor of the sacrifice. Proper.

God's desire for a relationship over ritual. God's words to Cain and Genesis 4 -7, "If you do well, will you not be accepted?"

Highlight that God was not be an arbitrary he wanted to repent and change not just ritual compliance so he gave pain and opportunity to redo its sacrifice this is what this is saying and he did instead he got angry he got angry at The last one you want to get angry at, you don't want to get angry at him, at least express it the way it was expressed.

God's desire for a relationship over ritual, as we've talked. God's words to Cain in Genesis 4 -7,

If you do well, I'll write this, would you not be accepted, highlighted that God was not, I read that one, didn't I? Being arbitrary, he wanted to repentance and change. For the scene in the rebellion, in Genesis 4 -7,

God tells Cain, "If you do well, will you not be accepted?"

So he gave him an opportunity here knowing that what he did wasn't accepted and to to repent that means turn around and do it properly given that opportunity this implies that Cain had a choice that his actions were already headed in a sinful direction but according to what we've read this is the first sin offering This is the first offering to God that was recorded So from that point on he showed that he didn't care

This anticipates prophets like Isaiah and Moses Who condemned outward religious acts when the heart is far from God in Isaiah 1?

Isaiah 1, 11 to 17. Let's read that.

Okay.

Isaiah 1,
11 to 17.

To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me?

Says the Lord I Am full of burnt offerings of rams and the fat tooth Let me get my gossips right here and the fat of fed beast I delight not in the blood of bullocks or of lambs or of goats.

When you come to appear before me, who has required this at your hand to tread my courts, to tread them down, bring no more vain ovulations.

Incense is an abomination unto me. The new moons and the sadness, the Calling up the assemblies I cannot away with, it is iniquity,

even the solemn meeting. Your new moons and your appointed feasts, my soul hated. They are a trouble unto me, I am weary to bear them.

And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide my eyes from you, yea, Ye make many prayers,

I will not hear, your hands are full of blood. 16. Watch you, make you clean, put away the evil of your doings from before my eyes.

Cease to do evil. Learn to do well. Seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the followingness, plead for the widow.

Now, what's that got to do with what I'm talking about?

God is telling this people, here's the book,

that if you want a relationship with me,

You got to do it right You cannot just come before me with slaughtered animals and blood You have to have your mind In the proper place first 17.

I'm going to read it again learn to do well

Seek judgment relieve the pressed, judge the fatherless,

plead for the widow. Isn't that a standard of God that we read throughout the scripture? Even in the New Testament.

So they're not doing it because he said it here, learn to do well. So he's not, they're not doing anything. So all the sacrifices they make don't mean nothing, honey. Don't mean anything. So he's trying to get his people back in line.

How does that reflect on us? Same thing. We don't bring a coffin here and slaughter them before our image of God, or our temple. We are the temple. So we have to make sure that we do things properly before God. All the time,

not just when we come to services all the time when we walk out that door and go through the rest of the week it counts how we do our daily walk and that's what he's saying here to Israel your daily walk is wrong learn to do wrong well right

and also in Amos 5 21 24

Pretty much the same thing, but

Emphasize it in 5 Amos 5 21 to 24

21 I hate I despise your feast days. I will not smell in your solemn assemblies

Though you offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings I will not accept them neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat take thou away from me the noise of the songs for I will not hear the melody of these vials but let judgment

run down as water and righteousness as a mighty stream.

Same thing, same thing, just sit in a different way. Do right, don't do wrong.

Now,

what's this got to do with us?

Abel's right to sacrifice foreshadows Christ, the perfect Lamb of God.

Jesus even referred to Abel as righteous in Matthew 23 .35,

let's go down. Why not? If Jesus said it, who am I to not repeat it?

In Matthew 23,

Matthew 23 verse 35.

35. I'm only going to read 35 because I'm breaking into an issue here. It says,

"That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed from earth,
from the blood of righteous Abel."

Righteous Abel. Not Abel.

He knew that He did what was right. And if He did what was right, we should be doing much right.

Cane represents those who refuse to submit to God's will. Act of Wayne,

New Testament warnings in Jude 1 .11. I'm just going to read it because I've got it right here. "Woe to them, They have taken the way of Cain.

Woe to them. What does that mean? That means destruction can come upon them, and will come upon them.

In summary, Cain's offering was likely rejected because it did not reflect the proper quality, faith, obedience, or attitude. God's response indicates that Cain had the opportunity to correct his behavior. I've said this before. But instead he chose to harm a resentment and commit a grave sin. Now, again I get into it.

Delusional references worship of the heart.

Cain's stories challenges us to reflect deeply on our worship as we hop as we offer God our best? Are our hearts aligned with Him?

Or are we merely going through the emotions? Not emotions, excuse me, emotions.

Like coming to service.

Yeah, I think I'll go to services today.

I've got to put in my appearance to make sure everybody thinks I'm on the right path. When you come here to want to learn, to want to study,

to want to draw closer to your brothers and sisters, and be a part of God's

church, that is the right attitude. When you walk through those doors,

you don't change your clothes, you do that at home. You put the suit on,

put the pretty dresses on. What's in here should be a home already changed.

You shouldn't have to change it. It should be there already. So when we come into this service, we're already in God's grasp.

We're already in His understanding. We're already ready to sacrifice our time here to be part of what God wants us to be. Not what we want to be.

What does God want us to be? We're His children. We are His children.

And we obey Him, we listen to Him, and we go through, not the motions,

we go through the commandments of love. Most importantly that commandment of love.

And Abel gave in faith and reverence. Cain gave perhaps out of obligation or pride.

God is not impressed by outward actions alone. He looks at the heart.
Now if we walk into that door and have to change our heart something's wrong.
You shouldn't change it, we just should be adding to it.

Your heart can only hit so big in here, but it can go out in your actions all
the time, all the time. What you do for somebody.

I deliver medicine to a gentleman in Bowmanville,
and Two weeks ago Thursday. He told me he was going to see the doctor for an
operation and

We're standing in his grads doorway And I said well, I says only one thing you
need for me now What's that? I said a prayer So I went like this He went like
this we held hands and I said a prayer right there in his grads door And he said
thank you very much after it was over with, but that's not the end of the story.
I went back on Thursday this week, had the operation. Looked really good after
having the operation, right? And I said, and I had forgot that he had the
operation.

Not totally forgot, but just figured it was coming. He said, "Oh, I see you're
going in for your art." "No, I've already had it. What are you talking about?" I
said, "Oh, yeah, I forgot about it. You've got to use those words. I forgot." So I
said to him, "Well, you look really good." He said, "Yes, it was a total success
according to the doctors." And I looked at him and I said, "Well, I guess our
prayers worked, didn't they?" And he looked at me and he says, "Yes,
thank you very much." I stuck his hand and shake my hand and I said nice I shook
his hand and I said well it wasn't me it was God so just remember that I'm just
his message during cutting the path and making sure that his children are looked
after in the best that I can do so but it was it's an example of taking your
heart and extending it out to somebody else that needs needs the heart felt emotion
that God wants us to give him and I try to I try to personally live by that
example every day and I say my job is not a job it's a mission I run into kind
of I don't run into those I've told you my stories before but I run into those
those things all the day and that remember even when you fall short God invites you
to do well To repent realign and be accepted Worship is not about perfection
But about sincere devotion and a willingness to grow in faith I'm gonna give you a
little prayer and you can write this down or you can get it from me later Lord
Seek my heart and reveal any way in me that does not honor you.
Teach me to worship in spirit, in truth, giving you the best of my life,
my time, and my life.

You can get that from the aphrodisiac. Now

Here's the very interesting part of this whole sermon. I did a little critique about
the Bible under the heading of "Sweet, Smelling, Saviour Scriptures." Guess how many
I got? Got a hundred. A hundred that made direct references to it.

And I'm not going to read y 'all a hundred, so So have a rest. But I'm going to
go pick a few and go through them. Now the first one I got is listen to this one
when it concerns the love and respect. It's Ephesians 5 -2,

"Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us a fragrant offering

and sacrifice to God. For there's your fragment in there. That's what Christ did. To God, it was a fragment of, how could you allow your son to God? To God, it was a fragment offering, okay? And now I'm gonna go way back, and the Vedic is 119. But it's entails, and it's legs,

He shall wash with water and the crease shall burn all of it on the altar as a burnt offering a Food offering and a pleasant aroma to the Lord

Don't know my backyard and smelling that barbecue. It's just like being in heaven Right and that's But pleasing to God and we have to understand that it's pleasing to God no matter what it means to me It's pleasing to God. So we and we want to please God So this these kind of sacrifices in those days We're gonna sacrifice ourselves and I'll get to it Okay, I'm gonna I'm just gonna skip around through a few here and first Corinthians 2 15 For we are listen to this one very good.

We are the aroma of Christ to God Among those who are being saved and Among those who are perishing

So we'll be when we're saved When Eddie became baptized and was saved.

He was a sweet aroma to God. And he's still burning. Right there?

He's still learning. I use that those two terms in relationship.

Let's see, let's pick out a few here. I've got lots of times. Exodus 29 /18,

"And burnt the whole ram on the altar. It is a burnt offering to the Lord." Listen to this. It is a pleasing aroma of food offering to the Lord A pleasing aroma always remember that your sacrifices are a pleasing aroma to the Lord and I'm going to read the Vedic is 3 and 16

When the priest shall burn them on the altar as a food offering with a pleasing aroma, all fat is the Lord's. Not to eat the fat,

but to burn it. What do we burn the fat? The aroma. The aroma goes up to heaven, right?

Skip that over to Ezekiel. As a pleasing aroma, I will accept you.

When I burn you... Oh, excuse me. When I bring you out of the countries where you have been scattered and

I will magnify my holiness among you in the sight of the nations.

This is

this is prophetic,

nice to us and the Jews coming out. There's two meanings to this. I'm not going to explain it. I want you to dig that one out and explain what are the two different times, okay? Because I'm just concentrating on the wrong one.

Okay, in 1 Corinthians 14.

There's two of them, 14 and 15. But thanks to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumph, procession. And through us spreads the fragrance of knowledge of Him everywhere.

What's that? That's taking the word out of God out to the world right our job, and we have brother Samarit is always talking with evangelizing that is perfect fit to this because when we go out and tell people about Christ when we go tell people about God the Father Like I do on a regular base that's spreading that sweet aroma And I haven't I haven't heard God tell me tell me Tell me, but I actually haven't

heard him to tell me verbally, but I've heard him tell me through his words.

Because that's it right there. That's it right there.

Romans 12, 1 -2. Now I'm giving you these verses because I wanted to reflect on what we do today. We know what the king and Abel did. We know what they did for sacrifices. What do we do today, because we don't sacrifice animals? Romans 12,

1 -2, "I appear to you, therefore, brothers and sisters,

by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Do not be conformed to this world

But be transformed by the renewing of your mind

Every time you read this that's a little renewing of your mind every time you hear

a sermon It's a little renewing of your mind every time you have a conversation

with one of your brothers or sisters

we're going to be talking about here. But be not conformed to this will, but be

transformed by renewing of your mind that by testing you may discern what is the

will of God and what is good and acceptable and perfect. Perfect of Roma.

That's the first part of this I was talking about. It's our sacrifice that we make.

Oh, do I want to stay home and do a Bible study and I don't want to go to the

movies?

Eh, I studied last night, maybe I'll go to the movies today.

No, that's not a sacrifice. And it was a good movie, too. Oh, it would have been

a good movie if I didn't see it, so I don't really know what it's made. But the

idea It is, take your time, Brother Eddie said he's always listening to tapes and

messages.

I have the Bible on CD, new and old,

and I shove it in when I start the car, or it's already in there, and I listen

to it all day. I've just gone through the Old Testament again for a number of

times now, but I don't remember thing that is said on the CDs,

but I know it's in here, because I've heard it. If I've heard it, Stephen says,

"Okay, read me something in the Old Testament." Okay. As soon as I picked the book

up and read it in the Old Testament, I remember hearing it on the CD. It's amazing

how our minds work. And I'm not one to be remembered, "Oh yeah, That was in

Ezekiel 29:18. I don't, I don't, I'm not one to remember that detail.

Tell me where an address is that I'm driving to and I can give you the number,

but for some other reason. That's why I keep listening to it, listening to it,

listening to it. So I can get it in there, I mean, no, it's in there and I can

get it out easy enough, okay? So that's just me personally. That's kind of the way

I sacrifice my listening. Now, I got some good CDs quite so good country and

Western music players but I have to admit and I'm not saying who the music is by

I would sooner listen to the CD of the testament than listen to a music I can do

that some other time all right you know no offense to whoever my CD is

anyway Let's carry on a few more. Galatians 2, this is just to show you how

scattered this is through the Bible.

Galatians 2 :20, "I have been crucified with Christ.

It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.

And the life I now live in the flesh, I lived by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me.

Now who made the sacrifice there?

Now who's making the sacrifice? We are, right?

We're doing the same thing but just we haven't improved yet. We don't want to be human. What happens happens, right?

In Romans 7 -4, "Likewise, my brother, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ so that you may belong to one another." Isn't that funny?

You belong to one another.

You just don't belong to Christ. You belong to one another. We all belong to each other and that's the beautiful part Let me finish that to him who has been raised from the dead in order that we may bear the fruit of God So

we're instruments in the body of Christ To bear the witness of God

That's place. That's obedience. That's honoring God. I'm not going out today.

I don't care if it's rain, snow, or sunshine. I'm not going out and spread the

word of God. That's not that place. Just the opposite. And that's what we need.

That's the minds that we need.

First beat or two, five. Listen to this one. Very carefully. I've got an next

beside it and I got a circle. You yourselves, like living stones,

are being built up as a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood,

to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Now if that ain't a mouthful for you to say and remember, I don't know what is.

That covers the gauntlet from beginning to end. And we, I love Peter.

I got extremely prepared on him, so I won't get into it. Okay, now we're in the

New Testament, right? Let's swing back to Numbers. Numbers 29 and 296 besides the

burnt offering of the new moon and the grain offering and the regular burnt

offerings and It's grain offering and their drink offering According to the rule for

them for a pleasing aroma a food offering to the Lord Just kind of repeating what

we've said in a different way In numbers I like this one,

command the people of Israel to say unto them, excuse me,

my offering, my food for my food offerings, my pleasant aroma,

you shall be careful to offer to me at the appointed time,

at the appointed time. So God just doesn't say,

"Oh yeah, get up Sunday morning and go make an offering." It's His appointed times

that are the appointed time. All His holy days, all His Sabbaths,

those are His appointed time. But during the course of one to six, you can still

make that sacrifice in your service and bring it to people's attention. I've got a

few minutes here. I'm a Don't get tired of what I'm doing here, and Philippians,

this is interesting, do all things without grumbling or disputing that you may be

blameless and innocent children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation among whom you shine as light to the world that

was Philippians 2 14 to 15 sorry that pretty much were you supposed to shine your

candle on a hill Not under a barrel or a bucket But shine it and this one here

emphasizes that That you may be acceptable before the Lord Who you shine as a light to the world and that's our objective in Matthew 5 13 This one here listen to this one this ties in very good with it. You are the salt of the earth. But if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored?

It is no longer good for anything except to throw out and trample under people's feet.

So that tells you a lot about obeying the Word of God Because we are the salt So you're not going to be if you're you're used to the salt, you know good to God No good

Genesis 27 27 So it came near and kissed him and Isaac smelled the smell of his garments and blessed him and said see the smell of my son is as a smell of the fields that the Lord has blessed. He fooled him.

Sweet Roman. He said sweet Roman.

Well, I'm gonna finish this off here. Romans 12 -1,

"I appeal to you, therefore, brothers,

by the mercies of God,

by the mercies of God, two percent your bodies has a living sacrifice,

holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship." I read part of that one before.

I'll end it with that one because I could go on here for quite a while.

Now listen to this, I'm going to do one more. 1 Peter 4 /8,

"Above all,

keep loving one another earnestly, Since love covers a multitude of sins,

what better thing can you say about love than that?

Let me read you my first reading again and listen to it in the contents of what

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I'll leave you with that upon the in relationship to what I've tried to talk to

you about. Okay? Turn this off.