

# Your Five Spokes

Chazown - Part 5

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**Knowledge is simply knowing.**

**Wisdom is applying knowledge with good judgment.**

<sup>3</sup>Solomon showed his *love* for the Lord by walking according to the instructions given him by his father David ...  
<sup>5</sup>At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, 'Ask for whatever you want me to give you.' <sup>6</sup>Solomon answered, ... <sup>9</sup>'Give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. ... ' <sup>10</sup>The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this. <sup>12</sup>'I will do what you have asked. I will give you a *wise* and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be.'" 1 Kings 3:3-12 (NIV)

"God gave Solomon *wisdom* and very great insight, and a breadth of understanding as measureless as the sand on the seashore." 1 Kings 4:29 (NIV)

**Promises are what God says He will do. Principles are what God says we should do.**

**Principles are truths that we take from Scripture and apply to areas of our lives.**

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<sup>4</sup>Then you will win *favor* and a good name in the sight of *God* and *man*." Proverbs 3:3-4 (NIV)

**Principle: When you *love God* and *love people* you find *favor*.**

<sup>37</sup>... *Love* the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. <sup>38</sup>This is the first and the greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup>And the second is like it: *Love* your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:37-39 (NIV)

<sup>40</sup>All the Law and the Prophets *hang* on these two commandments." Matthew 22:40 (NIV)

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**What does *love* require of me?**

***Love* requires me to have a relationship with *God* rather than a religion.**

"The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us." John 1:14 (NIV)

"Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent." John 17:3 (NIV)

"And the second is like it: '*Love* your neighbor as yourself.'" Matthew 22:39 (NIV)

**What does *love* require of me?**

## **Love** requires me to have healthy relationships with **people**.

*“<sup>13</sup>You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in **love**. <sup>14</sup>For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: ‘**Love** your neighbor as yourself.’” Galatians 5:13-14 (NIV)*

### **What relationship needs to begin?**

*“<sup>9</sup>Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: <sup>10</sup>If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.” Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 (NIV)*

### **What relationship needs to be nurtured?**

### **What relationship needs to end?**

*“Do not be misled: bad company corrupts good character.” 1 Corinthians 15:33 (NIV)*

*“<sup>7</sup>Do not be wise in your own eyes; **fear the Lord** and shun evil. <sup>8</sup>This will bring **health** to your body and nourishment to your bones.” Proverbs 3:7-8 (NIV)*

## **Principle: When you seek God, He shows you the way to a healthy life.**

*“<sup>9</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; <sup>20</sup>you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.” 1 Corinthians:6:19-20 (NIV)*

### **Being healthy is a spiritual responsibility.**

*“<sup>9</sup>**Honor** the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; <sup>10</sup>then your barns will be **filled** to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.” Proverbs 3:9-10 (NIV)*

## **Principle: When you honor God with your finances, He provides for your needs and blesses you beyond measure.**

### **Our life’s work is whatever you do with your productive, waking hours.**

*“<sup>5</sup>**Trust** in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; <sup>6</sup>in all your ways submit to him, and he will **make** your paths straight.” Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)*

## **Principle: When you trust God fully, He makes the way for your life’s work.**

*“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)*

### **Which spoke do you need to focus on?**