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An experiment in absurdities.

If Christ loves all men and died for all men, yet condemns to Hell all those who don't love him back sufficiently, what sort of love is that? We are led to believe this is the case most of professing Christians today. In fact, Christ taught explicitly against such a type of love. (Luke 6:32 For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them.) Should we not instead believe the scriptures that teach us that Christ's saving love is far superior than that of any sinner's love. (Romans 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.) It is absurd to believe and teach that Christ's love, as expressed in both election and the atonement, is so easily characterized by loving in return for love. Even sinners do that, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was no sinner! No my friends, Christ's love is infinitely better, and it even came first. (1 John 4:19 We love him, because he first loved us.) It is also absurd to believe that Christ loved and died for all, and is soundly contradicted by the scriptures. (John 10:26-28 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. John 17:2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him.) Clearly not all are Christ's sheep. Just as clearly only the sheep are given by the Father unto the Son in order for Him to give them eternal life. Only these for whom Christ died are those whom he loved, and He loved them to the uttermost, even while they were yet His enemies. (Romans 5:10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being

reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.) Yes, anything short of salvation by God's grace through the finished work of Jesus Christ on the Cross, and that for only His elect children because Christ so loved them, is entirely absurd according to the scriptural record.