

We hear it said a lot today that love always wins. This is actually a biblical term, but many who use it don't really understand its significance. True, real love always seeks to be positive and uplift others, but there are times when it has to be negative!

The Bible explicitly teaches that if the people of God do not hate and rebuke sin – the thing that brings about another's downfall – then we are not operating in love. On the contrary, in the Old Testament, we read:

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin, you shall reprove your neighbour, or you shall incur guilt yourself.

(Leviticus 19:17)

Many people keep silent about evil under the pretence, "I just love people too much to hurt their feelings." The truth is they just love themselves too much to run the risk of being rejected!