**LOVE AND HIS PEOPLE**

**(a very short catechism)**

**Love is constructive; hate is destructive.**

**Absolute love is absolutely constructive.**

**Love is the Creator of all things.**

**Love is One. Love is Omnipotent.**

**Love is God.**

**God is Love.**

**God/Love made humans.**

**God/Love loves humans.**

**God/Love lovingly made humans.**

**God/Love made humans to share in His life of love.**

**Love cannot be constrained; cannot be commanded.**

**God made humans free to love or not to love Him.**

**The first humans transgressed the law of Love.**

**God was slighted.**

**Evil came into the world.**

**Love was affronted.**

**Love wants to forgive.**

**The affront is of the measure of the affronted.**

**Only God can redeem an affront to God.**

**God sent His only Son, Jesus, as God, to repair the affront.**

**Jesus is Love**

**As a human, Jesus repaired the affront in the name of humans.**

**Now humans can be redeemed, provided they become people of Love.**

**People of Love worship Love as Jesus/Love taught them.**

**People of Love have to live for a time with Evil.**

**How they deal with evil, people of Love show Love.**

**People of Love want to show Love they are His People.**

**People of Love want to protect those they Love from Evil.**

**Sacrificing for Love is the happy choice of people of Love,**

**As the God of Love sacrificed Himself for His people.**

**The Cross– the absolute Sacrifice - is the Sign of the true life of the people of Love.**

**People of Love accept their Crosses for the sake of Love.**

**The God of Love makes all crosses bearable to people of Love.**

**God/Love wants people of Love to trust Him through their sacrifice.**

**God/Love will provide.**

**God/Love will console.**

**God/Love will protect.**

**People of Love trust the providence of Love, the consolation of Love, the protection of Love.**

**People of Love trust Love even as they struggle with their evil within.**

**They do not stop asking Love to hone their sensibilities in finding the ways of Love in all they do.**

**Love can never be forced; Free will, the only gift to use as People of Love see fit.**

**People of Love thirst to enter the world of absolute Love.**

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