

# New Book Prompts Readers to Imagine if Love Were Our God

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-- In a time of deep worldwide fracture, when many people are questioning if even religion can help in the search for reconciliation, lasting peace, joy, and hope, retired engineer, business developer, and ordained pastor R.K. Schneider offers a simple yet profound invitation in his new book, "Simply Love: A Renewed Vision for a Kinder, Gentler World."

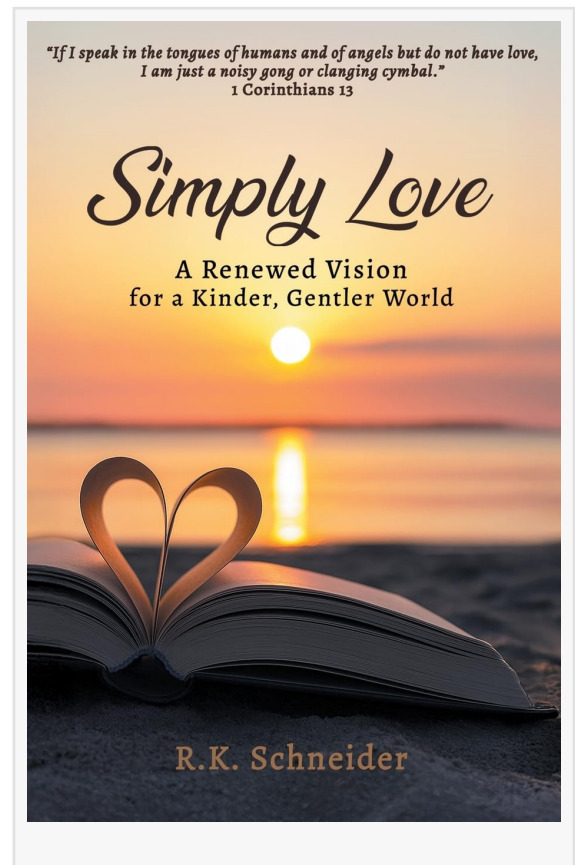
Rather than asking readers to embrace another ideology, religious doctrine, or political party, "Simply Love" turns to one of faith's oldest declarations: "God is love."

Drawing from ancient Greek philosophy, biblical Gospel teachings, and decades of pastoral reflection, Schneider reminds us that the earliest Christian vision of God was not centered on fear, judgment, exclusion, or reward after death. Instead, it was centered on love as the deepest reality of existence—the eternal truth toward which all human beings are drawn.

Through an engaging fictional dialogue between college students wrestling with questions of faith, suffering, social ethics, and the future of humanity, readers explore what might happen if love became not merely something God possesses, but what their God is.

The book suggests that this vision has practical implications for life:

- Public and political life shaped more by compassion than competition
- Economics valuing people as much as profit
- Communities measuring faith by how fully people flourish
- Persons freer to grow into fullness of life
- Christians known less for defending doctrines and more for embodying love



Rather than offering easy answers to life's mysteries, "Simply Love" calls readers back to what Schneider believes is the original heart of the Gospel message: trusting the transforming power of self-giving love.

Inspired by Plato and Aristotle, first-century theologians, contemporary practitioners like Father Greg Boyle, and examples of ordinary people whose quiet acts of compassion change lives every day, the book presents love not as sentimentality but as humanity's greatest transformative power.

At the center of Schneider's message is a simple conviction:

When people make love their highest trust, possibilities expand, relationships are restored, communities flourish, and hope becomes tangible.

"'Simply Love' is not about asking God to make the world better," Schneider says. "It is about recovering a vision that calls us to become love in the world. When that happens, miracles are not suspended laws of nature—they are the ordinary, extraordinary results of people trusting and living the way of biblical love."

Part philosophical exploration, part historical reminder, and part theological reflection, "Simply Love" challenges readers to imagine a different future—not through greater power or stronger ideology, but through a renewed commitment to the oldest and simplest truth: God is love... Making love itself our ultimate trust, compass, and way of life.

Imagine if love were our God?!

...Surely it would open the way to a kinder, gentler world.

"Simply Love" (ISBN: 9781967458776) can be purchased through retailers worldwide, including Amazon and Barnes & Noble. The paperback retails for \$14.99, and the ebook retails for \$8.99. Review copies and interviews with the author are available upon request.

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About the Author:

R.K. Schneider is a retired Air Force officer, business developer, and ordained minister whose experience spans the cutting edge of stealth technology development, helping a teen wrestle with his question about why God would allow him to have suicidal thoughts, and the death of his wife of forty years. Simply Love reflects his lifelong dedication to spiritual practice, family, teamwork, scholarship, and the journey from joy to grief and back to renewed life. Bob, Kate, and their three dogs live on a lake in New Hampshire where they stop to be in awe and share it with others.

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