



## The Enormous Price of God's Love for YOU

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*We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. – 1 John 4:16*

If I am going to becoming a loving person, I will first have to live with the roots of my life sunk deep in Christ's love for me. Therefore, being loved by Christ is the foundation to becoming a loving person. And every challenge to my effort to love is an opportunity by faith to send down roots into His love for me that will enable me to love in spite of my love being challenged.

### How Do We Know if we Have Been Loved?

- By the \_\_\_\_\_ that's \_\_\_\_\_ to Love
- By how \_\_\_\_\_ we \_\_\_\_\_ Their Actions
- By the \_\_\_\_\_ we \_\_\_\_\_ through Their Act
- By the \_\_\_\_\_ they have in \_\_\_\_\_ to Love or Not

### How has He Loved ... Ephesians 5:1-2

- I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Love ...  
Cp. Psalm 86:15; 136:26; Jeremiah 31:3; 1 John 3:16
- II. The \_\_\_\_\_ of His Love ...  
Cp. Romans 5:8; 1 John 3:1; Galatians 2:20
- III. The \_\_\_\_\_ of His Love Gift ...  
Cp. Ephesians 2:4-5; 1 John 4:9-10; Hebrews 10:12-14
- IV. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Father ...  
Cp. Isaiah 43:4; Romans 3:25; Matthew 3:17

## What will YOU do with HIS Love?

- Will you \_\_\_\_\_ His Love?
- Will you \_\_\_\_\_ to Grow in His Love?
- Will You \_\_\_\_\_ to the Transforming Power of His Love?

### Appointment with God – Prayer Focus

#### HONESTY AND PRAISE IN PRAYER

What is the Posture of your Heart as you Pray, Worship, and Come into the Presence of God?

The ideal answer is that we would always come to the Lord with thanksgiving and praise! However, let's look at David in many of his psalms. He often starts out with questions and expressing a hurting heart! *"Why do You stand afar off, O Lord? Why do You hide in times of trouble?"* To be honest, I believe EACH of us sometimes comes into His presence with these same thoughts and emotions.

If you pay attention as you read the Psalms, you will discover that even when David honestly expresses his questions and sorrows, he never lingers there. He moves His focus from what he sees and feels upward by speaking out truths of who God is and how He works. He speaks God's promises back to Him. He doesn't allow emotions to rule but speaks out truths to pierce the darkness.

A summary of many of David's prayers is that he was brutally honest with His Father and expressed all he was experiencing along with his questions and doubts. But he didn't linger there! He moved to praise and thanksgiving and a full focus on the Lord.

In what ways might you change how you are going to God in prayer to experience a deeper sense of praise and thanksgiving?

How can you put yourself in a better position to express praise and thanksgiving?

- Be intentional to do so!
- Highlight and/or keep a journal of scripture that speaks God's promises, His character and His ways.
- Meditate on Scripture that speaks truth into the darkness.



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### How Do We Know if we Have Been Loved?

- By the **Price** that's **Paid** to Love
- By how **Little** we **Deserve** Their Actions
- By the **Benefits** we **Receive** through Their Act
- By the **Freedom** they have in **Choosing** to Love or Not

### How has He Loved ... Ephesians 5:1-2

- I. The **Model** of Love ...  
Cp. Psalm 86:15; 136:26; Jeremiah 31:3; 1 John 3:16
- II. The **Demonstration** of His Love ...  
Cp. Romans 5:8; 1 John 3:1; Galatians 2:20
- III. The **Sufficiency** of His Love Gift ...  
Cp. Ephesians 2:4-5; 1 John 4:9-10; Hebrews 10:12-14
- IV. The **Pleasure** of the Father ...  
Cp. Isaiah 43:4; Romans 3:25; Matthew 3:17

## What will YOU do with HIS Love?

- Will you **Accept** His Love?
- Will you **Choose** to Grow in His Love?
- Will You **Yield** to the Transforming Power of His Love?

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