

GOD'S

AMAZING

LOVE

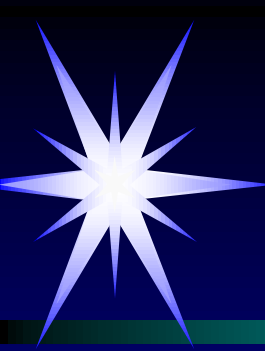
*“He who does not love does not
know God, for God is love”*

(1 JOHN 4:8)



GOD IS LOVE

- LOVE IS GOD'S NATURE
- TO KNOW TRUE LOVE IS TO KNOW THE ONE TRUE AND LIVING GOD



SOME QUESTIONS

- WHAT IS INVOLVED IN GOD'S LOVE?
- CAN GOD'S LOVE REACH ALL MEN?
- DOES GOD LOVE ME?

**GOD'S AMAZING LOVE IS
BETTER PERCEIVED WHEN
THESE QUESTIONS ARE
ANSWERED!**



A THREE-POINT ASSERTION:

- GOD'S LOVE IS NOT LIMITED TO THE SAVED
- GOD'S LOVE IS NOT LIMITED TO CERTAIN KINDS OF SINNERS
- GOD'S LOVE IS NOT FOR EVERYONE ELSE BUT YOU



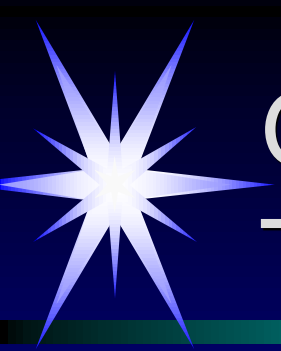
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Lu 19:10,

“for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

Lu 5:30-32

“And their scribes and the Pharisees complained against His disciples, saying, ‘Why do You eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?’³¹ Jesus answered and said to them, ‘Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.’³² I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.’”



GOD'S LOVE IS NOT LIMITED TO THE SAVED

1Jo 4:19

“We love Him because He first loved us”

Our love to him came second

God loved first


Yet, no one can be saved without
loving God (Matt. 22:37)



GOD'S LOVE IS NOT LIMITED TO CERTAIN KINDS OF SINNERS

ROMANS 5:

⁶ For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. ¹⁰ For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.



GOD'S LOVE IS NOT LIMITED TO CERTAIN KINDS OF SINNERS

1 CORINTHIANS 6:

9 Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, ¹⁰ nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. ¹¹ And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the lord jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.



GOD'S LOVE IS NOT FOR EVERYONE ELSE BUT YOU

- For some, the hardest person to forgive is self. . .too ashamed. . .too disappointed
 - easier to believe God could love another than **OURSELVES**
 - an insurmountable view of personal sin
 - a view like that is a shallow and a defective view of the power of God's love
 - blood of Christ is greater than sin



GOD'S LOVE IS NOT FOR EVERYONE ELSE BUT YOU

- “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that **whoever** believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (Jn. 3:16)
 - do you live in this world?
 - are you a person?
 - if yes, **JESUS WAS GIVEN FOR YOU. . . WHOEVER!**
 - Jesus was not given because there were a few worthy souls



GOD'S LOVE IS NOT FOR EVERYONE ELSE BUT YOU

- Zec 13:1

“In that day a fountain shall be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for uncleanness.”

- did you ever sin?
- if yes, THEN A FOUNTAIN IS OPEN FOR YOU!

“Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, And the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand”
(IS. 53:10)



GOD'S AMAZING LOVE EPITOMIZED IN CHRIST

- GOD'S LOVE COST HIM
THE BEST HEAVEN HAD
 - cost God the payment of his only
Son/blood (Gal. 3:13; 2 Cor. 5:21;
Acts 20:28)



GOD'S AMAZING LOVE WHAT'S INVOLVED?

- GOD'S LOVE BRINGS DISCIPLINE

- Titus 2:11, 12

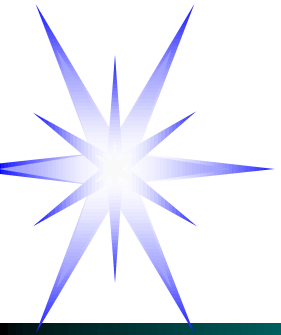
For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men

Teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lust we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world.



GOD'S AMAZING LOVE DEMONSTRATED

- GOD'S LOVE HOLDS OUT FOR A NEW BEGINNING
 - TEACHING: Father of the prodigal
 - Luk 15:20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.



2 PETER^{3:9}

*The Lord is not slack concerning His promise,
as some count slackness, but is longsuffering
toward us, not willing that any should*

PERISH

but that all should come to repentance.



recap

- WHO DOES GOD LOVE?
 - all men and women, **INCLUDING YOU!**
- WHAT IS INVOLVED IN GOD'S LOVE
 - a costly sacrifice on His part
 - faithful obedience on ours
 - God's love must be **PERFECTED** in US

PERFECTED LOVE!

OBEDIENCE

1Jo 2:5 But whoever keeps His word,
truly the love of God is perfected in him.
By this we know that we are in Him.

LOVE

1Jo 4:12 No one has seen God at any time.
If we love one another, God abides in us, and
His love has been perfected in us.

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