



LOVE OF GOD

DAY ONE

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1 John 4:9-10 (NLT) *9 God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. 10 This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.*

PONDER

1. How do you show love to the significant people in your life?

2. What does it mean to you that God sent Jesus as a sacrifice to take away the sins of all believers as a sign of His love?

3. List ways that you can show God how much you appreciate His Love and His Sacrifice.

PRAY

Dear God, thank you for showing me what true love looks like. Thank you for Jesus. Thank you for giving me the hope of eternity with you. Today help me to allow your love to shine through me. Amen.



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Zephaniah 3:17 (NLT) *For the Lord your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness. With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs."*

PONDER

1. We often picture God sitting up on a throne far out of reach. In this verse we are reassured that our Mighty God is living among us and he delights in us! How does this make you feel?
2. List things and people that delight you.
3. How is your faith impacted knowing that God's love is there for you, wanting to calm all your fears?

PRAY

Father God you are a mighty warrior! It is humbling to know that you delight in me and that you rejoice over me! Help me to appreciate your love and feel your presence throughout my day. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Galatians 2:20 (ESV) *I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

PONDER

1. God looks at us as if we had died with Christ. Because our sins died with him, we are no longer condemned. Is there some sin in your life that you think God cannot forgive? Don't minimize what Jesus did you for. Allow Him to take away your burden and feel His love.
2. What does faith in Jesus look like to you?
3. Try to put into words what God's love means to you.

PRAY

God, it is because of Your sacrificial love for me that I even know what love is. Thank you. Change my heart so that it reflects Yours, and let my actions reveal that I am Your disciple. In Jesus' Name I pray, Amen.



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John 3:16 (NIV) *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

PONDER

1. Define belief:
2. What do you learn about belief from the following verses?

John 3:36

Acts 16:31

Ephesians 2:8-10

3. Describe when you accepted Christ, choosing to take God at His word, trusting in Him for salvation. If you haven't, make the commitment to do so today!

PRAY

Father God, I believe! Thank You for sending Your Son into the world to redeem us. I am so grateful that I get to experience Your unconditional love and forgiveness. Amen.



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Romans 8:37-39(NLT) 37 No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. 38 And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. 39 No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.

PONDER

1. How are you comforted by these proclamations about the inability to separate God's love from us?
2. What are you going through that requires God's immense love for comfort?
3. When you feel abandoned by God, remember Romans 8:37-39. He loves you and He will not leave you. Write out this scripture and post it where you will see it daily.

PRAY

Dear God, these verses melt my heart and allow me to feel your love pressing into me. Thank you for Your love which surrounds me and will not leave me. Amen.