

Love

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*The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the Lord regretted that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him to His heart. Genesis 6:5-6*

*"It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." Hebrews 10:31*

*"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16*

#### 1. THE LOVE OF GOD IS UNCONDITIONAL

*For God so loved the world...*

*He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world did not know Him. John 1:10*

*"If the world hates you, know that it hated me first." John 15:18*

*"Christianity uniquely claims God's love comes free of charge, no strings attached. It is His grace that makes God different."*

C.S. Lewis

*"There is nothing we can do to make God love us more. There is nothing we can do to make God love us less."*

Philip Yancey

#### 2. THE LOVE OF GOD IS SACRIFICIAL.

*that he gave...*

*"but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8*

#### 3. THE LOVE OF GOD IS VALUABLE.

*his only*

#### 4. GOD'S LOVE IS PERSONABLE.

*Son,*

*There are many reasons God saves you: to bring glory to himself, to appease his justice, to demonstrate his sovereignty. But one of the sweetest reasons God saved you is because he is fond of you. He likes having you around. He thinks you are the best thing to come down the pike in quite a while... If God had a refrigerator, your picture would be on it. If he had a wallet, your photo would be in it. He sends you flowers every spring and a sunrise every morning. Whenever*

*you want to talk, he'll listen. He can live anywhere in the universe, and he chose your heart. And the Christmas gift he sent you in Bethlehem? Face it, friend. He's crazy about you!*

Max Lucado

5. GOD'S LOVE IS ACCESSIBLE.

*that whoever believes in him*

6. GOD'S LOVE IS NONJUDGMENTAL.

*should not perish*

7. GOD'S LOVE IS BENEFICIAL.

*but have eternal life.*