

The Full Circle of Love

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God's love is so full of mercy and grace. He doesn't need me nor anything from me, but He loves me.

What could I possibly have to offer God or what does God desire from me?

The answer is love. God desires our love, our heart.

God has revealed to us our own hearts through the light of His word.

Past / Present

Genesis 6:5

Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

2 Timothy 3:2–4

men will be lovers of self, lovers of money...lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,

Romans 3:10–12,18

¹⁰as it is written, "There is none righteous, not even one. ¹¹There is none who understands, there is none who seeks for God. ¹²All have turned aside, together they have become useless; There is none who does good, there is not even one." ¹⁸"There is no fear of God before their eyes."

Read 1 John 4:7-19

- (19) We love because He first loved us.

A New Heart

God's love changes us! God has fulfilled His word through the prophets in His Son, Jesus Christ.

Ezekiel 11:19–20

¹⁹"And I will give them one heart and put a new spirit within them. And I will take the heart of stone out of their flesh and give them a heart of flesh, ²⁰that they may walk in My statutes and keep My ordinances and do them. Then they will be My people, and I shall be their God.

Romans 5:1–2, 5

¹Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God. ⁵and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

God's love must be shared!

God's love changed my life. His amazing grace saved a wretch like me. How can God pour His love into our hearts without it changing who we are.

Boundless Love

God's love does not end with me. I am not to just receive God's love and that's that.

1 John 4:10–12

¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has seen God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us.

The Two Great Commandments

Matthew 22:37–40

³⁷And He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸This is the great and foremost commandment. ³⁹“The second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰“On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets.”

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John 14:21

“He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him.”

1 John 1:2–4

²and the life was manifested, and we have seen and testify and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was manifested to us— ³what we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. ⁴These things we write, so that our joy may be made complete.