



**NOW YOU KNOW - THE REST OF THE STORY**

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**History is God's Four Act Love Story**

**ACT I: GOD CREATED US TO LOVE US.**

*Long before He laid down earth's foundations, God had us in mind, and settled on us as the focus of His love. (Ephesians 1:4 Mes)*

**ACT II: WE WALKED AWAY FROM GOD'S LOVE.**

*We're all like sheep who've wandered off and gotten lost. We've all done our own thing and gone our own way. (Isaiah 53:6 Mes)*

*Because you are in darkness, all the foundations of society are shaken to the core. (Psalm 82:5 LB)*

**ACT III: GOD SENT JESUS TO BRING US BACK.**

*This is how God showed His love to us: He sent His one and only Son into the world so that we could have life through Him. (1 John 4:9 NCV)*

*Jesus: "I came to find and restore the lost." (Luke 19:10 Mes)*

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. (John 3:16 KJV)*

**ACT IV: WE CHOOSE TO ACCEPT OR REJECT GOD'S LOVE.**

*No man has ever seen, heard, or even imagined what wonderful things God has ready for those who love the Lord. (1 Corinthians 2:9 LB)*

*God's unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into His own family by bringing us to Himself through Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 1:5 LB)*

*May you be able to feel and understand... how long, how wide, how deep, and how high God's love really is and experience this love for yourselves... (Ephesians 3:18-19 LB)*

*It makes no difference who you are or where you're from—if you want God and are ready to do as He says, the door is open. (Acts 10:35 Mes)*