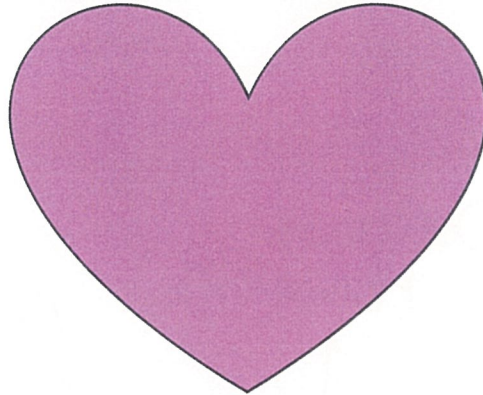


“O God, you are *my* God!”

Choosing moment by moment to love God, not self, to love God and not give in—to the world, the flesh, or the devil. Choosing moment by moment to fall in love again and again and again with our Lord. We are transformed by the renewing of our minds. We must choose to give our all to loving the Lord with our all.

What
self
wants?



What
God
wants?

“Which commandment is the most important of all?” Jesus answered, “The most important is, ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” ~Jesus in Mark 12:28-31

You can’t cling to the cross with one hand and the world with the other and think these things will be compatible in your life. ~Hershel York,

Giving 98% is not 100%. A swimmer cannot compete in a race if he holds onto the edge of the pool with his pinky – less than 2% of his body—an athlete must compete according to all the rule and put in 100% of his effort to win. You don’t want to drink a glass of water that is only 98% pure with the other 2% strychnine.

“The double-minded man is unstable in all his ways.” James 1:8

“The heart can be basically described as man’s control center for living. It involves his thoughts, his intentions, beliefs, desires, and attitudes. Because all of these things take place in the mind, we can say the heart could be thought of as the mind. What a man truly thinks and believes about something is the heart of the matter.” ~Stuart W. Scott

Love is more than keeping commands but it is not less than keeping commands. ~Tom Schreiner

“The most critical spiritual discipline is the intake of God’s Word. No factor is more influential in making us more like the Son of God than the Spirit of God working through the Word of God.” Quoting British preacher John Blanchard, he stresses that we should read our Bibles daily. Whitney notes that meditation, “thinking deeply,” on the Word of God is the key to its transformative power.” ~Donald S. Whitney



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O God, you are my God. (Ps. 63:1a)

