

# God's Loving-kindness

Psalm 107:43 (KJV)

Understanding God's Loving-kindness

- Makes forgiveness possible
  - Blessings possible
  - Relationship with God possible
  - Intimacy possible
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Loving-kindness = God's true nature and character  
= displays of His tenderness and goodness  
= True reflection of His person  
= Mercy and compassion

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- It is His unconditional, unmerited, limitless, unfailing, everlasting, unending BULL-DOG LOVE!!
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A. Understanding loving-kindness produces faith.

Galatians 5:6 ... faith works by love

Psalm 36:7 "How excellent is Thy loving kindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings."

Psalm 17:7 "Shew Thy marvelous loving kindness, O Thou that savest by Thy right hand them which put their trust in Thee from those that rise up against them."

Psalm 40:10-11 (ref) / Psalm 143:8 (ref)

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B. Because of loving-kindness, we can run TO God instead of FROM God.

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Romans 2:4 (KJV) (NLT)

Psalm 103:1-12 (KJV)

- Forgives sins
  - Washes and cleanses us
  - Recovers and restores us
  - He is merciful to us and remembers our sins and iniquities no more
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[ He actually delights in loving-kindness. ]

Jeremiah 9:23-24 (KJV)

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(Message) "... If you brag, brag of this and this only: that you understand and know Me. I'm God and I act in loyal love. I do what's right and set things right and fair, and delight in those who do the same things. These are My trademarks."

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Psalm 107 (There are two phrases declared four times)

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#1 "Cry out to God and He delivers us."

(Psalm 107:6, 13, 19, 28)

#2 "Praise Him for His goodness and His wonderful works to the children of men."

(Psalm 107:8, 15, 21, 31)

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[ Even under the law, prophets saw God's Loving-kindness. ]

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Ex. 1 Isaiah – Isaiah 63:7-8 (KJV)

Ex. 2 Nehemiah – Nehemiah 9:27, 32 (KJV)

Ex. 3 Joel – Joel 2:12-13 (KJV)

Ex. 4 Jonah – Jonah 3:9 – 4:2 (KJV)

Ex. 5 King David (Bathsheba and adultery)

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Psalm 51:1-3 (KJV)

- David could only appeal to mercy and compassion
  - No provision (sacrifice) for adultery and murder
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Psalm 63:3 (KJV) (NLT)

Psalm 40:8-11 (KJV)

David declares to all of God's loving-kindness

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[ New Testament reminds us of David ]

Romans 4:1-8 (KJV)

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Hebrews 8:10-13 (KJV)

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