

“Loving God with All Your Heart and with All of Your Soul and with All of Your Strength and with All of Your Mind”

Ephesians 3:17b-19 (NIV)

Ephesians 3:14-19 (NIV)

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I. The Bible has so many commands because God lovingly desires your highest _____ and greatest _____.

(Deuteronomy 10:13)(John 15:10-11)

II. Loving the Lord with all that I am allows me to _____ my highest good and greatest joy.

III. One element of experiencing my highest good is being transformed to look _____.

(Romans 8:28-29)

(Ephesians 3:14,16)

❖ Every area of your life that you want transformed to be more like Jesus, _____!

IV. Loving God begins with knowing how God _____!

“And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.”

“We love because he first loved us.”

1 John 4:19 (NIV)

❖ Your ability to love God (and others) comes from knowing God’s love for _____!

“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love.” **John 15:9 (NIV)**

V. “Love God with all that you _____.

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.”

Mark 12:30 (NIV)

1. Loving God with all your heart means to surrender your _____ and _____ to God.

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Matthew 6:21 (NIV)

“Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God... Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.”

Colossians

3:1,5 (NIV)

“Teach me your way, LORD, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name. I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.”

Psalms 86:11-12 (NIV)

2. Loving God with all your soul means to invite him into the inner being of your _____ and _____.

“What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?”

Mark 8:36 (NIV)

“As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?”

Psalms 42:1-2 (NIV)

a) Devote yourself deeply to _____ God.

“Now devote your heart and soul to seeking the LORD your God. Begin to build the sanctuary of the LORD God, so that you may bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD and the sacred articles belonging to God into the temple that will be built for the Name of the LORD.”

1. Chronicles 22:19 (NIV)

b) Flood your soul with God’s _____.

“The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.”

Psalms 19:7 (NIV)

c) Think deeply upon God’s _____.

“Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little.”

Luke 7:47 (NIV)

d) Remember who _____ in Christ.

“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth,

nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 8:1, 37-39 (NIV)

e) Express deep _____ and _____ to God.

“Then my soul will rejoice in the LORD and delight in his salvation.”

Psalms 35:9 (NIV)

“Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits”

Psalms 103:1-2 (NIV)

3. Loving God with all your strength means to _____ your passion and efforts on God.

“Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,”

Philippians 3:13 (NIV)

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

1. Timothy 4:7 (NIV)

❖ **ASK:** Is there anything that is draining the strength from my focus on God?

4. Loving God with all your mind means to bring God into the realm of your _____.

“Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.”

Colossians 3:2 (NIV)

- ❖ **ASK:** What do I spend my time thinking about and do my thoughts please God?

“I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways. I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word.”

Psalms 119:15-16 (NIV)

“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.”

Philippians 4:8 (NIV)