

MOVE FORWARD
REMEMBER HIS BENEFITS
Love
Discover Church
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“God willing, we will move forward to further understanding.” Hebrews 6:3

- Forgiveness
- Healing
- Redemption
- Surrounds us with love and compassion
- Satisfies us with good things
- Renews us
- Gives fair treatment to all with righteousness and justice
- Compassion and mercy
- Grace
- Slow to get angry
- Abounding in love/full of unfailing love

Move Forward in His **Love**

*“For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him”
Psalm 103:11*

(Rick, I am going to do a little game here. First, give the song title and give people time to guess the artist. Then bring in the artist's name along with the song title. One slide per song)

- Stupid Love – Lady Gaga
- All You Need is Love – Beatles
- Can't Help Falling in Love – Elvis
- I Want to Know What Love Is – Foreigner
- I Love Me – Demi Lovato
- Love Yourself – Justin Bieber
- I Will Always Love You – Whitney Houston
- Love Story – Taylor Swift
- What's Love Got To Do With It – Tina Turner
- As Long As You Love Me – Backstreet Boys
- Love Stinks – J. Geils Band
- Love Will Keep Us Together – Captain and Tennille

God's Promises From His Love

- His promises are not a **secret**

*“Write my answer plainly on tablets, so that a runner can carry the correct message to others”
Habakkuk 2:2*

- His promises are **Yes** and **Amen**

“But as surely as God is faithful, our message to you is not “Yes” and “No.” ...²⁰ For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. And so through him the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God. 2 Corinthians 1:18, 20

- Fulfills His **promises**

God's Overwhelming Love For Us

- He sets people **free**

“On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, ¹¹ and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, “Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.” ¹³ Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. ¹⁴ Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, “There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.” ¹⁵ The Lord answered him, “You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? ¹⁶ Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?” ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.” Luke 13:10-17

- Loves us through our **failures**

“Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead. ¹⁵ When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” “Yes, Lord,” he said, “you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.” ¹⁶ Again Jesus said, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He answered, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Take care of my sheep.” ¹⁷ The third time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, “Do you love me?” He said, “Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.” ¹⁹ Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, “Follow me!” John 21:13-19

Three different questions (Rick bring them in one at a time, the last slide will show all three questions)

1. *“Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?”*
2. *“Simon son of John, do you love me?”*
3. *“Do you love me?”*

➤ His faithful love **endures** forever

➤ Embrace God's **ultimate love**

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16

➤ God's **Personal** Promise of Love

“But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.” 1 John 1:9

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- His promises are not a _____
- His promises are _____ and _____
- Fulfills His _____

God’s Overwhelming Love For Us

- He sets people _____
- Loves us through our _____
- His faithful love _____ forever
- Embrace God’s _____
- God’s _____ Promise of Love

Scripture: *Psalm 103:11; Habakkuk 2:2; 2 Corinthians 1:18, 20; Luke 13:10-17; John 21:13-19; John 3:16; 1 John 1:9*