

NOT FOR SALE

Titus 3:3-7

Once we, too, were **foolish and disobedient**. We were **misled** and **became slaves** to many **lusts and pleasures**. Our lives were full of evil and envy, and we hated each other. But—
When God our Savior revealed his **kindness and love**, he **saved us**, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of **his mercy**. He **washed** away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit. He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior. Because of **his grace he made us right** in his sight and gave us **confidence** that we will inherit eternal life.

The comfort of INDEPENDENCE and SELF

My own DESIRES and APPETITES

1 John 4:7-10

Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for **love comes from God**. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. But anyone who **does not love does not know God**, for **God is love**. God **showed how much he loved us** by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. **This is real love** —not that we loved God, but that **he loved us** and **sent his Son as a sacrifice** to take away our sins.

How do i know if I'm in love?

Love sends

Love sacrifices

Love STAYS

We will do just about anything to SATISFY that Craving

We'll give it all up: the ULTIMATE for an INSTANT

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Love is **patient** and **kind**. Love is **not jealous** or **boastful** or **proud** or **rude**. It does not demand its own way. It is **not irritable**, and it **keeps no record** of being wronged. It does not rejoice about injustice but **rejoices whenever the truth wins** out. Love **never**

gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.

Love is TOUGH, it's HARD-CORE!

1 Corinthians 13:13

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Matthew 22:36-40

*“Teacher, which is the **most important commandment** in the law of Moses?” Jesus replied, “‘You must **love the Lord your God** with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘**Love your neighbor** as yourself.’ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.”*

Develop yourself and your love by exploring God's love

Psalms 139:13-15

*You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb.
Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex!
Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it.
You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion,*

Loving who God created you to be means trusting that you were made by a God who has a great and incredible purpose for you!

Your love of FAMILY is an indication of how you will love your FUTURE MATE

The best partners are good friends first.

You come into marriage with the pack of your history.

Do yourself a favor and just keep your pack light

2 Timothy 2:22

Run from anything that stimulates youthful lusts. Instead, pursue righteous living, faithfulness, love, and peace. Enjoy the companionship of those who call on the Lord with pure hearts.

If you love JESUS, look for someone who also loves JESUS.

The world is not lacking sex and lust, the world is lacking HONOR.

Does God want to ruin all the fun?

Anything God has made GOOD - sin will PERVERT

Matt 5:30

And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

God allows sex only in one case- marriage

Hebrews 13:4

Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery.

God does not find pleasure or joy in your pain!

Will my decisions have LONG-LASTING, even PERMANENT effects on me?

It's not too late.

You can't change your past, but you can give God your present.

2 Corinthians 5:17

This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

Philippians 3:13

No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

Romans 8:1

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.