

# Love HIM

“If ye love me, keep my commandments” (John 14:1).



## GOD LOVES US

**Our creator God loves us!** Our Father in heaven loves us so much that He gave His only heir—a unique son, so that anyone who believes on him—Yashuah Hamashiach/Jesus Christ will not die but have eternal life (John 3:16).

**Nothing will separate God’s love from us!** “No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Romans 8:37-39).

**While we are sinners, we are loved.** “But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us” (Romans 5:8).

**Herein is evidence of His love for us!** “Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son [to be] the propitiation for our sins” (I John 4:10).

**God will never forget us!** “Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee” (Isaiah 49:15).

**God created us to be part of His royal family—His children!** “Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore, the world does not know us, because it knew him not” (I John 3:1).

**A time of trouble is coming, but God will save us!** “The LORD your God is in your midst, a **mighty one who will save**; he will rejoice over you with gladness; **he will quiet you by his love**; he will exult over you with loud singing” (Zephaniah 3:17).

**God will help us!** “For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee” (Isaiah 41:13).

“How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings” (Psalm 36:7).

**So, humble yourself in gratitude, accept the gift of grace and eternally serve the GREAT GOD.** “Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, **because He cares for you**” (1 Peter 5:6-7).

**Love Him with all your heart, mind, soul and strength!** “And he [Jesus] answering said, ‘Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself’” (Luke 10:27).

“And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might” (Deuteronomy 6:5).

### **YASHUAH HAMASHIACH/JESUS CHRIST LOVES US**

**The bond of love between God our Father and Jesus Christ existed before we were created!** “Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, be with me where I am, so that they may see my glory which you have given me, for **you loved me before the foundation of the world**” (John 17:24).

**To die for someone else is a demonstration of the highest level of love!** “Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends” (John 15:13).

**Christ loves us to such an extent that he willingly accepted a brutal and shameful death for us!** “I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless, I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me” (Galatians 2:20).

“No one takes it from me, but **I lay it down of my own accord**. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father” (John 10:18).

“For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again” (II Corinthians 5:14-15).

**“Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her”** (Ephesians 5:25).

**Christ's love for us is unmeasurable!** "And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, **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" (Ephesians 3: 17-19).

## **LOVE GOD**

**God loved us first!** "We love him, because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19).

**Learn to love as God and Christ loves. They loved us while we were rebellious, rude, cruel, nasty and full of sins of all types!** "The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love" (1 John 4:8).

"As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love" (John 15:9).

"May the Lord lead your hearts into a full understanding and expression of the love of God and the patient endurance that comes from Christ" (II Thessalonians 3:5).

**Loving God is keeping His commands and living His way!** "Jesus answered and said to him, 'If anyone loves me, he will keep my word; and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our abode with him'" (John 14:23).

"For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous" (1 John 5:3).

"Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he [is] God, the faithful God, which keep covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations" (Deuteronomy 7:9).

"Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them" (John 14:21).

**Be imitators of God!** "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Be imitators of God" (Ephesians 4:31 and 5:1).

**Be prepared to lay down your life for your brethren!** "Hereby perceive we the love [of God], because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down [our] lives for the brethren" (1 John 3:16).

**WE KNOW GOD when we demonstrate love for our fellow man!** "We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him" (1 John 4:16).

"Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His loving-kindness is everlasting. Give thanks to

the God of gods, for His loving-kindness is **everlasting**” (Psalm 136:1-26).

“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God” (1 John 4:7).

**Keep the faith and remain steadfast in God; He will accomplish His work in us!** “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose” (Romans 8:28).

### **LOVE WILL NEVER END**

“Love never gives up on people. It never stops trusting, never loses hope, and never quits” (1 Corinthians 13:7).

“All those gifts will come to an end—even the gift of prophecy, the gift of speaking in different kinds of languages, and the gift of knowledge, but **love will never end**” (1 Corinthians 13:8).

### **THE CONCLUSION OF THE MATTER**

“Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: **Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.** For God will bring every deed into judgement, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil” (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14).

Repent and accept grace. Humble yourself and keep the commandments of God. The path will appear before you; choose to journey towards KNOWING Him and grow to love Him with all your heart, mind, soul and strength. Turn from the ways of man and live the way of God that is the whole duty of man and it is the conclusion of the matter.

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