

# Faith Missionary Baptist Church BIBLE STUDY



[Tuesday & Wednesday] August 4-5, 2020 LESSON 2

#### **Know That Nothing Can Separate You From The Love of God**

#### INTRODUCTION

The central message of the Bible is the love of God. Love is the mainspring of His being. Love is the major theme that runs all the way through the Bible. 1 John 4:8 says, "He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." All that God is, and all that God does is out of love.

Even when he corrects us it is out of love. In Revelation 3:19 God the Son says, "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent."

The entire Bible is a love letter telling us how much God loves us. From Genesis to Revelation the message is clear; God loves us. John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." O what a love! There are many things in God's creation that fascinate me. I am fascinated by the beauty of the sunset in the evening. I am fascinated by the countless stars I see shining at night. I am fascinated by the rolling waves of the ocean at the beach. I am fascinated by formation of the clouds. I am fascinated by the tall mountains and the deep valleys. I am fascinated by the zigzag lightning that flashes across the sky. But the thing that fascinates me most is the Love of God. In today's lesson we are going to turn the spotlight on the love of God.

#### <u>1st Reading-Romans 8:18-22</u>.....Present Suffering Equals Future Glory

- A. All creation groans- in pain and suffering (Caused by the curse in Genesis 3)
- B. Notice the language-"bondage of corruption" "earnest expectation"
- C. Analogy-a woman in childbirth labor-from labor to childbirth =glory
- D. All creation yearns for freedom from pain and suffering.
- E. All creation is subject to vanity or nothingness.
- F. All creation will be delivered from corruption to freedom.

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- A. Firstfruits of the Spirit= a foretaste of the glory to come.
- B. We long for a new body.
- C. We wait in hope
- D. Suffering is temporary. See 2 Corinthians 4:17-18
- E. Patience and hope go together.

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- A. The Holy Spirit helps our ailments
- B. The Holy Sprit is our intercessor=He helps us pray
- C. Prayer can be nonverbal- a groan, or a sigh or a whimper
- D. The Spirit searches the heart.
- E. The Spirit helps us pray in the will of God. (See Jesus Prayer in Matthew 26:42-46)

#### 4th Reading-Romans 8:28-30.....Bad Things Will Work Out For Good

- A. All things will work together for the good. (Bad things will work in your favor)
- B. Addressed to:
  - Those who are the called (chosen),
  - Those who love God
  - **❖** According to: God's purpose
- C. Notice God's did for us:
  - ❖ He foreknew= in his plan way back, on his mind. See Isaiah 49:15-16
  - **...** He predestined us to be like Jesus
  - So Jesus would be the firstborn of many brethren=his resurrection to die no more.
  - God initiated the process for a finished product- called-justified-glorified.
  - Called=chosen, justified=declared righteous, glorified=sin and suffering free

- A. What shall we say about these things or what he has said already? (We should be speechless)
- B. If God is for us who can defeat us?
- C. Look at God's track record of love and care
  - **.** He gave us his best in Jesus.
- D. God will freely give us all things=his provision, goodness, and love.
- E. Cluster of questions: Who can charge God's elect? Who can condemn?
- F. See what Jesus did on our behalf
  - . He died.
  - He rose.
  - **❖** He is seated at God's right hand.
  - **❖** He is making intercession for us. Hallelujah!!!!

- A. Can tribulation?
- B. Can distress?
- C. Can poverty?
- D. Can hunger?
- E. Can war separate us from the love of Christ?
- F. Can danger separate us from the love of Christ?
- G. The answer is none of the above.
- H. No matter what we are more than conquerors. See 2 Cor. 2:14, & 1 Cor. 15:57
- I. We are targets for death, but we are safe in God's love.

- A. I am sure without a doubt that
- B. Death
- C. Life
- **D.** Angels=demons or spirits
- E. Powers=governments, above or below
- F. Nothing in all creation can separate us from
- the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord

### Spiritual Applications of The Lesson

- 1. Christians are tied in a love knot with God that cannot be untied.
- 2. We should love each other since God is love.
- 3. God proved his love by sending Jesus to die for us.
- 4. The love of God should motivate worship, praise, and service
- 5. The love of God is 100 percent unconditional.
- 6. Without the love of God, where would I be?
  7. There's YILLORY IN JESUS



MEMORY VERSES: "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." -----Romans 8:38-39