

## February 2021 ~ A Month of Love

There is more to love than meets the eye! For the month of February, we are going to dwell on love and all that's encompassed in the greatest commandment we are given.

Week 1 - You are LOVED!

Week 2 - Love your Spouse & Family

Week 3 - Love Your Friends & Neighbors

Week 4 - Share the Love of Jesus with the World

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# WEEK 1 - YOU ARE LOVED!

In the midst of our busy and stressful lives, it can be difficult to reflect and soak in the truth that no matter where we are, what we have done, and the temptations we fall into we are loved and adored by our Heavenly Father. For the first week of February, focus on the truth of God's love for you.

- Feb 1 "Sometimes the hardest part of the journey is realizing you're worth the trip." Glen Beck
- Feb 2 You are fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14
- Feb 3 "One who has been touched by grace will no longer look on those who stray as "those evil people" or "those poor people who need our help." Nor must we search for signs of "loveworthiness." Grace teaches us that God loves because of who God is, not because of who we are." Phillips Brooks Feb 4 You are chosen. 1 Peter 2:9
- Feb 5 "Though our feelings come and go, God's love for us does not." C.S. Lewis
- Feb 6 You are valuable. Matthew 10:31

Feb 7 – God gave it all for you even though He knew all the good, bad & the ugly. Romans 5:8

#### WEEK 2 - LOVE YOUR SPOUSE & FAMILY

A fabulous marriage ministry program teaches that God didn't give us marriage to make us happy, but to make us holy. Marriage and family can certainly stretch and strengthen our humility, unconditional love, compassion and vulnerability muscles. For the second week of February, focus on the blessings that loving your spouse and family can have on your life and all those around you.

- Feb 8 "Remember that children, marriages, and flower gardens reflect the kind of care they get." H.J. Brown Jr.
- Feb 9 "What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family" Mother Teresa
- Feb 10 Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:8
- Feb 11 "Rejoice with your family in the beautiful land of life" Albert Einstein
- Feb 12- With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Ephesians 4:2-3
- Feb 13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13
- Feb 14 I have found the one whom my soul loves Song of Solomon 3:4

#### WEEK 3 - LOVE YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

In scripture, we are called to love our neighbors as ourselves. This can seem like a tall order, but with God it is possible. For the third week of February, focus on the joy loving others can bring and the impact following this commandment can have on the Kingdom of God.

- Feb 15 A good neighbor is a priceless treasure.
- Feb 16 No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. 1 John 4:12
- Feb 17 We become good neighbors when we are willing to cross the road for one another. Henri Nouwen
- Feb 18 A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. Proverbs 17:17
- Feb 19 "Sadly, whenever I make my opinions more important than the difficult people God made, I turn the wine back into water." Bob Goff
- Feb 20 Being a good neighbor is an art which makes life richer. Gladys Taber

### Week 4 - Share the Love of Jesus with the World

So often we are more focused on the fear of rejection and judgement we may receive from others if we step out and share the love of Jesus we miss Godly appointments. Sharing His love can range anywhere from a simple act of kindness to sharing the gospel. For the fourth week of February, focus the thrill and joy that sharing the love of Jesus brings instead of the fear that tries to dampen it. May all we do in love point back to our Heavenly Father and draw others into His gracious arms.

- Feb 22 Do everything in love 1 Corinthians 16:14
- Feb 23 Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:40
- Feb 24 This is what the Lord requires of you. Do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8
- Feb 25 "Unexpected kindness is the most powerful, least costly, and most underrated agent of human change." B. Kerrey
- Feb 26 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. John 13:35
- Feb 27 "Nobody cares how much you know until they know how much you care." Theodore Roosevelt
- Feb 28 We love because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19