

• God's Love demonstrates that you have been **<u>chosen</u>** and you **<u>belong</u>** to Him.

..listen to the Lord who created you...the one who formed you says,"Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you. I have called you by name; <u>you are mine</u>. Isaiah 43:1 (NLT)

...may you be able to feel and understand, <u>as all God's children should</u>, how long, how wide, how deep, and how high his love really is; and to <u>experience this love for yourselves</u>, though it is so great that you will never see the end of it or fully know or understand it. And so at last you will be filled up with God himself. Ephesians 3:18-19 (TLB)

• God wants us to **discover** and **experience** His love for us personally.

When it comes to God loving them unconditionally:

Some don't believe it.

Some **<u>can't</u>** believe it. (or they choose not to believe it)

Some **misunderstand** it.

• It is impossible for God to look at you and desire anything less than His <u>best</u> for you. ...This one thing I know: God is for me! Psalm 56:9 (TLB)

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)

...If God is <u>for us</u>, who can be against us? He who <u>did not spare his own Son</u>, but <u>gave him up for us all</u> — how will he not also, along with him, <u>graciously give us all things</u>? Romans 8:31-32 (NLT)

When I realize God is for me:

• I don't hide from God but rather run to God.

(Adam) answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." Genesis 3:10

The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe. Proverbs 18:10 (NIV)

• I don't live **for** God's approval but **from** His approval.

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8 (NIV)

• I don't fear what happens to me because I know God is working in me.

And we know that in <u>all things</u> God <u>works for the good</u> of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28 (NIV)

For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose. Philippians 2:13 (NIV)

Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you \underline{what} he has done for me. Psalm 66:16

What God actually thinks of you, compared to what you might think He thinks of you:

- "I have a past that haunts me." Psalm 103:12; Jeremiah 29:11
- "I've messed up too much." 2 Corinthians 5:17
- When you feel you can't... Philippians 4:13

You are:

- Blessed: 1 Peter 3:14
- Favored: Ephesians 1:6
- Child of God: 1 John 3:2
- Chosen: John 15:16
- An Ambassador of Jesus: 2 Corinthians 5:20
- Confident: Psalm 27:3
- Competent: 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- Loved: John 3:16; 1 John 3:16
- A Son and Daughter: John 1:12
- Overcomer: 1 John 5:4-5
- Pure: 1 John 3:3
- Purposeful: Ephesians 2:10
- Set Apart: 1 Peter 2:9
- Secure: Romans 8:38-39
- Warrior: Ephesians 6:10-18
- Strong: Ephesians 6:10 ; 2 Timothy 1:7
- Temple of the Holy Spirit: 1 Corinthians 6:19
- Transformed: 2 Corinthians 4:16
- Wonderfully Made: Psalm 139:14



TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups: These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain why?
- Is it difficult for you to believe that God is for you? Did something happen in your life that caused you to doubt God's goodness? Explain
- What do you think when you hear the statement: "It is impossible for God to look at you and desire anything less than His best for you"?
- Read Jeremiah 29:11 and Romans 8:31-32; What do these scriptures say to you about God being for you? How do they make you feel?
- Does understanding that God is for you change your perspective about life? Explain.
- Do you find that you hide from God or run to God? Do you find God to be a safe place?
- Talk about the difference between living for God's approval verses from God's approval.
- Do difficult times remind you that God is working in you?
- Are you confident that in all things God is for you? Why do you feel that way?
- How have you experienced God's goodness in your life? What does His goodness mean to you?
- · Do you think differently about yourself than how God thinks of you?



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Today's Talk ..



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