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Displays of His Love

As you are reading this, God is telling you how much He loves you. In fact, all day, every day, He is speaking to you and telling you how precious you are to Him. His love for you is manifested in countless ways in your daily life. For example, His love is displayed in you doing good works in His Name (Titus 2:14) because He is stirring your heart to be like Him; His love is displayed in your prayers (Philippians 4:6) because He is allowing you to come to the presence of almighty God who created the heavens and the earth and ask for your personal requests; His love is displayed in your fellowship with other believers (1 John 1:7) because He desires you to be loved by your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. So there are so many ways how God displays His love to you in your daily life. Yet I would like to suggest three specific things, in which God shows His love for you, for you to think about.

First, think about His creation. His creation is often overlooked and ignored when one considers His love. Yet when you consider that God has made everything work together for good of His people, for you to live and enjoy life such as the precision of the solar system, the right climate, well-balanced ecosystems, all working perfectly by His design, you cannot help but to recognize that God's love is evident in the creation. Yet, it doesn't end there; think about the cool breeze on a hot day or the sun rays warming your skin on a cool day. Do you think these are by chance? It is God Who controls these things (Psalm 135:7) and through these things in creation, He is saying, "I love you." It is in the songs of the birds and the formation of the clouds, the changing seasons and the vibrant colors of the flowers (Psalm 84:3, Psalm 147:8, Genesis 1:14, Genesis 1:12) that we are reminded of God's love to us. It is in those times when we look into the blue sky and are taken aback by its vastness and how high and how wide it is, that we remember His love is great for His children (Psalm 103:11). Let us open our eyes to His love displayed in creation all around us; you'll be amazed!

Second, think about the corporate worship. God's love for you is saturated in the corporate worship. Every Sunday, all over the world, in thousands of different languages, thousands of different culture, for thousands of years, people of all ages have gathered to worship Him - to praise Him, to pray to Him, to hear His word, and to serve Him. God doesn't need human beings' worship because He has myriads of angels worshipping Him in heaven all the time,

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6. Spiritual Gifts
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8. The Creation

yet He gave us the privilege to worship Him and in so doing we fulfill the purpose of life. It is because God loves us so much, He gives us continual opportunities to fulfill our life's purpose in worshipping Him (1 Peter 2:9). Therefore, when we worship Him, He is reminding us that our corporate worship is made possible only by His love. It is Him who gathers us, it is Him who stirs up our hearts to sing, it is Him who causes us to engage in His Word, it is Him who leads us to corporate prayers, it is Him who causes us to have fellowship - all because He loves us and He desires us to fulfill our purpose. Let His love for you fill you with joy and fuel your worship of Him every corporate worship. (Hebrews 10:24-25).

Third, think about the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This may seem obvious but how many times a day do you forget about the love of God in the Gospel?

God's love for you is shown in the Gospel of Jesus Christ (John 3:16). You were created by Him in love and then separated from Him by your own sins (Romans 1:20-21, 3:23). Yet because God loves you so much that He came down to us as fully God (Colossians 2:9) and fully man (Philippians 2:5-8). And He lived the perfect life for you (1 Peter 2:22). He was betrayed, beaten, mocked, spit on and whipped and was nailed to the cross for you (John 19:2, Luke 23:33). Although He did all these as obedience unto God (Matthew 26:39) foremost, He did all these also for you (John 15:13) because He loves you. The innocent for the guilty (1 Peter 3:18) - Jesus received the punishment for the sins you've committed and you received the eternal life of Jesus. So when you receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, you get to reign with Him and be with Him forever (2 Timothy 2:12). You get to have eternal peace, eternal joy, eternal hope because of your new life in Christ. Not only that, you also receive freedom from bondage of sin (1 Peter 2:16). You get to have a relationship with the Creator of the universe (1 John 4:7-8). All this for you. And so as you can see, you are loved more than you can possibly comprehend. So be still and meditate on the Gospel of Jesus Christ and know Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord.

God's love for you is indescribable and awesome in every way. Take His love in and see His Hand working in your life. So know Jesus Christ, worship Him, grow in Him, serve Him, obey Him, rest in Him and trust in Him. May God bless you all with a greater understanding of His love for you!

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