

Understanding the Love of God

I. God _____ Love (II Cor. 13:11; I John 4:8)

- it is a self-sacrificial love for the sake of others, requiring nothing in return.

II. God's Love Described as...

A. _____ (Eph. 2:4)

- Mercy flows out of God's love. His love is great and therefore His mercy is great.

B. _____ (Isa. 49:15–16)

C. _____ (Rom. 8:38–39)

- Once we have received the love of God, it cannot be separated from us. The love of God is in Christ Jesus and we are in Christ.

D. _____ (II Cor. 5:14)

- Constraineth—To hold fast, to press together

E. _____ (Jer. 31:3)

III. God's Love Manifested Toward...

- A. Perishing _____ (John 3:16; Titus 3:4)
- B. _____ (John 16:27; 17:23; II Thess. 2:16; I John 4:16)
- C. The Destitute (Deut. 10:18)
- D. The _____ Giver (II Cor. 9:7)

IV. God's Love Manifested In...

- A. The _____ of Christ (John 3:16)
- B. The _____ of Christ (I John 4:9)
- C. The _____ of Christ (Rom. 5:8; I John 4:10)
- D. _____ of salvation (Titus 3:4–7)
 - _____—not getting what you deserve
 - _____—getting what you don't deserve
- E. Chastisement—to bring up a child, to educate (Heb. 12:6)