

# THE LOVE OF GOD BIBLE STUDY

In order to understand love, we must see it from God's perspective. In this study we will consider how God's love has come to us and what that means for us. This is not about how we love God, rather, it is about how He loves us.

1. First we will consider what love is and where it comes from.
  - a. According to 1 John 4:16 what is God? \_\_\_\_\_  
How does this help us in understanding God? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - b. According to 1 John 4:10 what is love? \_\_\_\_\_  
What is love not? \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. According to 1 John 4:18 what is not part of love? \_\_\_\_\_  
What does perfect love do? \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Next we will look at how God's love comes to us.
  - a. According to 1 John 4:19 who loved first, God or us? \_\_\_\_\_  
What does that give us the ability to do? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. According to 1 John 4:7 where does love come from? \_\_\_\_\_  
So if someone really knows how to love, not just having sentimental or romantic feelings that come and go, but really love, how can someone love that way? \_\_\_\_\_
  
3. Look at these verses and see how God loves us.
  - a. According to Jeremiah 31:3 how does God love us? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. According to John 3:16 how much did God love us? \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. According to Romans 5:8 how did God demonstrate His love for us? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - d. According to Galatians 2:20 who did Jesus give himself for? \_\_\_\_\_  
What results happened when there was this understanding of the love of God and what it did for us? \_\_\_\_\_
  
4. What does God's love do for us?
  - a. According to Ephesians 2:4-5 what did God's love do for us? \_\_\_\_\_  
What condition were we in when His great love came to us? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - b. According to 1 John 4:17 what will be the condition of those who were made complete in the love of God on the day of judgment? \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - Why will we have this confidence? \_\_\_\_\_

5. According to Romans 8:35-39 list the things that cannot keep us from the love of God that is found in Jesus Christ: \_\_\_\_\_

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What things have attempted to keep you from the love of God that is in Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

According to verse 37 what do we become when we are in the love of Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you think this means? \_\_\_\_\_

6. The following verses tell us how the love of God affects people.

a. According to John 14:23 what will we do if we love Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

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If we do this then the Father will love us and do what? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you qualify for this to happen in your life? \_\_\_\_\_

b. According to John 15:9 what are we supposed to do? \_\_\_\_\_

c. According to John 15:10 how can we remain in the love of the Father? \_\_\_\_\_

d. According to John 15:12 what command does God give us? \_\_\_\_\_

e. According to John 15:13 how are we to love each other? \_\_\_\_\_

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How can we does this? \_\_\_\_\_

f. According to 2 Corinthians 5:14 what does God's love do? \_\_\_\_\_

What does this mean in a person's life? \_\_\_\_\_

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What are some things that you have been motivated to do or not to do because of the love of God? \_\_\_\_\_

g. According to Ephesians 5:2 what kind of life are we supposed to live? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is our example for living this kind of life? \_\_\_\_\_

h. According to 1 John 3:16-18 how do we know what love is? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is the evidence that someone does not love according to verse 17? \_\_\_\_\_

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How are we to love in more than words according to verse 18? \_\_\_\_\_

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What do you think this means? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. According to 1 Corinthians 13:13 what are the three things that are permanent in life? \_\_\_\_\_.
- What is the greatest of these three things? \_\_\_\_\_.