

# The Attributes of God

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## The Love of God

### Exodus 34:6

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The LORD passed before him and proclaimed,  
"The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and  
gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in  
steadfast love and faithfulness,

The greatest mistake a man can make is  
believing that God should love him.

John 3:35-36

The root of God's love is Himself;  
for He is love.

The Father loves the Son.  
God's love for humanity only comes  
to those who believe in His Son.  
To reject the Object of God's love,  
is to reject the love of God.

God loves the Son.  
The only way to God's  
love is through the Son.

John 5:20-24

Many people believe that God  
loves them, even though they  
dishonor His Son Jesus Christ.  
Such belief is based upon a lie.

John 17:8-10

Those who truly love God must  
believe the words of Jesus.

John 17:20-26

**John 17:23**

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I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

How much does God love you?

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As much as He loves His Son.

**John 17:26**

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I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Ultimately, all love from God comes to us through His Son.

How do you know if God loves you?

Apart from being in Jesus Christ, no one deserves the love of God.

God's love for us precedes  
our love for Him.

Ephesians 1:3-6

God's love precedes our love for Him.  
It is His love that causes us to love Him.

Ephesians 2:8-10

There is absolutely no reason, in and  
of ourselves, that God should love us.  
There is nothing that any human has  
ever done to deserve the love of God.

Deuteronomy 7:6-8

1 Timothy 1:13-15

Paul is a person who rightly sees himself for who he was without Christ, and who he is with Christ.

Our love for God comes from God.

The ultimate expression of God's love is that Jesus died for us.

1 John 4:9-21

We love God because He first loved us.  
God's love is always prior.

Romans 8:33-39

God's love for those who are His, will never end. It is based on the person and work of Jesus Christ, and not on us.

Application and Summary:

God's love will cause you to desire to obey His commands.

John 14:15

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

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God's love will cause you to desire to obey His commands.  
God's love for you will cause you to model God's love to others.

John 13:34

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another."

### Application and Summary:

God's love will cause you to desire to obey His commands.

God's love for you will cause you to model God's love to others.

Thinking of receiving God's unmerited love through Jesus Christ should cause thankfulness beyond expression.

### 1 Peter 1:8

Though you have not seen him, you love him.

Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory,