

Loving God

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To know Him is to love Him! In Immanuel sessions, we experience Jesus for Who He really is, coming to know the True Lord Jesus. We begin to believe what the Bible tells us about Him in our hearts and not just in our heads. He was always there-He's never left us and never stopped loving us. His love has never flagged. The love of God produces a love in us for ourselves and others, but most importantly, it produces more and more of the love for God.

Word studies included in this article are: Love of God (Love Toward God); Love Me; Love Him; Love Me (Jesus); Loves Me (Jesus); Loved Me (Jesus); Love the Lord; Love God; Loves God; Loved His Appearing; Examples of Loving God: Moses; David; Solomon; Mary of Bethany; Sinful Woman of The City; John; Paul

For more information on this topic, please see: "Love of God"; "All You Need Is Love";

Love of God (Love Toward God)

Luke 11:42 But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass by justice and the love of God. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.

John 5:42 But I know you, that you do not have the love of God in you.

1 John 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.

Jude 1:21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

Love Him

Deuteronomy 7:9 "Therefore know that the LORD your God, He *is* God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who [love Him](#) and keep His commandments;

Deuteronomy 10:12 And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to [love Him](#), to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Judges 5:31 Thus let all Your enemies perish, O LORD! But *let* those who [love Him](#) *be* like the sun When it comes out in full strength. So the land had rest for forty years.

Psalms 45:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to "The Lillies." A Contemplation of the sons of Korah. A Song of [Love](#). My heart is overflowing with a good theme; I recite my composition concerning the King; My tongue *is* the pen of a ready writer.

Psalms 145:20 The LORD preserves all who [love Him](#), But all the wicked He will destroy.

Proverbs 16:13 Righteous lips *are* the delight of kings, And they [love him](#) who speaks *what is* right.

Daniel 9:4 And I prayed to the LORD my God, and made confession, and said, "O Lord, great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who [love Him](#), and with those who keep His commandments.

Mark 12:33 And to [love Him](#) with all the heart, with all the understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.

Luke 7:42 And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will [love him](#) more?

John 14:21 He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will [love him](#) and manifest Myself to him.

John 14:23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will [love him](#), and We will come to him and make Our home with him."

1 Corinthians 2:9 But as it is written: Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who [love Him](#).

James 1:12 Blessed *is* the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who [love Him](#).

James 2:5 Listen, my beloved brethren: Has God not chosen the poor of this world *to be* rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who [love Him](#)?

1 John 4:19 We [love](#) Him because He first loved us.

Love Me

Exodus 20:6 But showing mercy to thousands, to those who [love Me](#) and keep My commandments.

Deuteronomy 5:10 But showing mercy to thousands, to those who [love Me](#) and keep My commandments.

Deuteronomy 11:13 If you love Me 'And it shall be that if you earnestly obey My commandments which I command you today, to love the LORD your God and serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul.'

Proverbs 8:17 I love those who [love me](#), And those who seek me diligently will find me.

Proverbs 8:21 That I may cause those who [love me](#) to inherit wealth, That I may fill their treasuries.

Love Me (Jesus)

John 8:42 Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would [love Me](#), for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me."

John 14:15 If you [love Me](#), keep My commandments.

John 14:24 He who does not [love Me](#) does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me.

John 14:28 You have heard Me say to you, 'I am going away and coming *back* to you.' If you [loved Me](#), you would rejoice because I said, 'I am going to the Father,' for My Father is greater than I.

John 21:15 So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you [love Me](#) more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Feed My lambs."

John 21:16 He said to him again a second time, "Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you [love Me](#)?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My sheep."

John 21:17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you [love Me](#)?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you [love Me](#)?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep."

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John 16:27 For the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came forth from God.

Love the Lord

Deuteronomy 6:5 You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

Deuteronomy 11:1 Therefore you shall love the LORD your God, and keep His charge, His statutes, His judgments, and His commandments always.

Deuteronomy 11:13 ‘And it shall be that if you earnestly obey My commandments which I command you today, to love the LORD your God and serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul.

Deuteronomy 11:22 For if you carefully keep all these commandments which I command you to do—to love the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways, and to hold fast to Him—

Deuteronomy 13:3 You shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Deuteronomy 19:9 And if you keep all these commandments and do them, which I command you today, to love the LORD your God and to walk always in His ways, then you shall add three more cities for yourself besides these three.

Deuteronomy 30:6 And the LORD your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, to love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, that you may live.

Deuteronomy 30:16 In that I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the LORD your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess.

Deuteronomy 30:20 That you may love the LORD your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He *is* your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them.

Joshua 22:5 But take careful heed to do the commandment and the law which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways, to keep His commandments, to hold fast to Him, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul.

Joshua 23:11 Therefore take careful heed to yourselves, that you love the LORD your God.

Psalms 31:23 Oh, love the LORD, all you His saints! *For* the LORD preserves the faithful, And fully repays the proud person.

Psalms 97:10 You who love the LORD, hate evil! He preserves the souls of His saints; He delivers them out of the hand of the wicked.

Psalms 116:1 I love the LORD, because He has heard My voice *and* my supplications.

Matthew 22:37 Jesus said to him, ‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’

Mark 12:30 ‘And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ This *is* the first commandment.

Luke 10:27 So he answered and said, "‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,’ and ‘your neighbor as yourself.’"

Love God

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

1 John 4:20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?

1 John 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments.

Loves God

1 Corinthians 8:3 But if anyone loves God, this one is known by Him.

1 John 4:21 And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God *must* love his brother also.

Love You

Psalms 18:1 To the Chief Musician. *A Psalm* of David the servant of the LORD, who spoke to the LORD the words of this song on the day that the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies and from the hand of Saul. And he said: I will love You, O LORD, my strength.

Psalms 122:6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.

Loved His Appearing

2 Timothy 4:8 Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

Examples of Loving God:

Moses

So the LORD spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. And he would return to the camp, but his servant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, did not depart from the tabernacle. Then Moses said to the LORD, "See, You say to me, 'Bring up this people.' But You have not let me know whom You will send with me. Yet You have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found grace in My sight.' "Now therefore, I pray, if I have found grace in Your sight, show me now Your way, that I may know You and that I may find grace in Your sight. And consider that this nation *is* Your people." And He said, "My Presence will go *with you*, and I will give you rest." Then he said to Him, "If Your Presence does not go *with us*, do not bring us up from here. "For how then will it be known that Your people and I have found grace in Your sight, except You go with us? So we shall be separate, Your people and I, from all the people who *are* upon the face of the earth." So the LORD said to Moses, "I will also do this thing that you have spoken; for you have found grace in My sight, and I know you by name." And he said, "Please, show me Your glory." Then He

said, "I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion." Exodus 33:11-19

David

But now your kingdom shall not continue. The LORD has sought for Himself a man after His own heart, and the LORD has commanded him *to be* commander over His people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you. 1 Samuel 13:14

One thing I have desired of the LORD, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the LORD, And to inquire in His temple. Psalms 27:4

Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name. Psalms 91:14

And when He had removed him, He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave testimony and said, 'I have found David the *son* of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will do all My will.' Acts 13:22

Solomon

Then David comforted Bathsheba his wife, and went in to her and lay with her. So she bore a son, and he called his name Solomon. Now the LORD loved him. 2 Samuel 12:24

And Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David, except that he sacrificed and burned incense at the high places. 1 Kings 3:3

Mary of Bethany

And when Jesus was in Bethany at the house of Simon the leper, a woman came to Him having an alabaster flask of very costly fragrant oil, and she poured *it* on His head as He sat *at the table*. But when His disciples saw *it*, they were indignant, saying, "Why this waste? "For this fragrant oil might have been sold for much and given to *the poor*." But when Jesus was aware of *it*, He said to them, "Why do you trouble the woman? For she has done a good work for Me. "For you have the poor with you always, but Me you do not have always. "For in pouring this fragrant oil on My body, she did *it* for My burial. "Assuredly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be told as a memorial to her." Matthew 26:6-13

And being in Bethany at the house of Simon the leper, as He sat at the table, a woman came having an alabaster flask of very costly oil of spikenard. Then she broke the flask and poured it on His head. "But there were some who were indignant among themselves, and said, "Why was this fragrant oil wasted? "For it might have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor." And they criticized her sharply. But Jesus said, "Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a good work for Me. "For you have the poor with you always, and whenever you wish you may do them good; but Me you do not have always. "She has done what she could. She has come beforehand to anoint My body for burial. "Assuredly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be told as a memorial to her." Mark 14:3-9

And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. Luke 10:39

But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her.
Luke 10:42

It was that Mary who anointed the Lord with fragrant oil and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. John 11:2

Then, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him. Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil. Then one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, who would betray Him, said, "Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it. But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. "For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always." John 12:1-8

Sinful Woman of The City

Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee's house, and sat down to eat. And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that *Jesus* sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, and stood at His feet behind *Him* weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped *them* with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed *them* with the fragrant oil. Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loves little." Luke 7:36-38, 47

John

Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved. Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask who it was of whom He spoke. Then, leaning back on Jesus' breast, he said to Him, "Lord, who is it?" Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped *it*." And having dipped the bread, He gave *it* to Judas Iscariot, *the son* of Simon." John 13:23-26

When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son! "Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own *home*. John 19:26-27

Paul

Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which *is* from the law, but that which *is* through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith; that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. Philippians 3:8-11

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