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<u>Bible Verses On Gods Love</u>

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. 1.John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. 1.John 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. John 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. **Psalm 86:15** But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and 1 Peter 5:6-7 truth. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: 7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

1 - The Love of God is <u>UNINFLUENCED</u> In Deuteronomy 7:7–8 we read of God's love for Israel as it says, "The LORD did not set His love on you, nor choose you because you were more in number than any people; for you were the fewest of all people." What does this passage point to? God loved Israel simply because He chose to! It was because the LORD loved you. In this, we see that God loves according to His purposes when we are unimpressive or seemingly unlovable. Israel was nothing special, nor did they influence God to love them. He loved of His own volition. How amazing is His love? How humbling is His love? All you do as a sinner should repel Him from you, yet His love is for you. Nothing can influence Him to stop loving His people.

7 Characteristics of God's Love 2 - The Love of God is ETERNAL

Because God is eternal, His love began before time even began. Because His love is eternal, it is everlasting love! It has no beginning, and it has no end. Ephesians 1:4–5 declares, "...in love having predestined us". In this short phrase, all human effort, comprehension, and wisdom are shattered! He set His love upon the believer before breath entered our lungs. Before the foundation of the earth, He loved us!

3 - The Love of God is <u>INFINITE</u>

There is no limit to God's love. He will never run out of love for His people, nor can you ever use up all the love He gives. His love cannot be fathomed, and it reaches beyond all human comprehension (Ephesians 3:19). Romans 8:38–39 outlines the beautiful promise that nothing in heaven, hell, or on earth can separate us from the love of God. His infinite love is limitless, unstoppable, and immeasurable.

4 - The Love of God is <u>SOVEREIGN</u>

God is the supreme and independent authority, so nothing controls His love but Him. He is under no obligation to love anyone, and as Psalm 115:3 says, "Our God is in the heavens, He does as He pleases."

Romans 9:13 contains one of the most eye-opening truths in all of the New Testament about the sovereignty of God in choosing to love. Paul quotes the word of the LORD in saying, "Jacob I loved, Esau I hated," meaning He chose to favor one above the other for no reason except that He sovereignly chose to.

Did God choose to love you because He "foresaw" that you would love Him back? Did He look down the tunnel of time and decide to choose those who would choose Him? No! Man is not in the driver's seat of God's love. Ephesians 1:4–5 describes God's choice to love us as being "to the good pleasure of His will." What a glorious God He is, that He would choose to love us!

5 - The Love of God is <u>IMMUTABLE</u>

James 1:17 tells us that there is no "shifting shadow" with God, and when it comes to His love, isn't that a comforting truth? Unlike worldly, fickle, transactional love, God's love is steady and unchanging. Like His immutable nature, His immutable love does not shift or cease. His lovingkindness and tender mercies towards the believer are new every morning (Lamentations 3:22-23).

When you think of the cast of characters in Scripture who sinned and yet were still loved by God, you can see how His love for you will never change even when you stumble and sin as a believer. Abraham, Moses, Jacob, David, Peter, and a host of others, reminds us that God is a God of unfailing love – even when His people fail.

6 - The Love of God is HOLY

Since God is holy, His love is perfect, pure, righteous, and without fault. Not one aspect of God's love is weak, unfair, soft, or wrong. God's love never hits the wrong target.

One key truth to remember about God's love being holy is that He will discipline those whom He loves. Hebrews 12:6 unpacks this reality. God's love does not wink at sin, nor will He abandon His children in their sin. He will discipline His children because He loves them.

If you ever think something is wrong with God's love, you can rest assured only you are wrong. If you are ever fearful that His love for you is not perfect enough, cling to the promise that "perfect love casts out fear" (1 John 4:18). You will not be condemned on the day of judgment if you have put your faith in Christ and surrendered your life to a holy God (Romans 8:1).

7 - The Love of God is <u>GRACIOUS</u>

When we meditate on the love of God, we need to meditate on the work that Jesus accomplished on the cross. It was His love that caused Him to give His life for us and to be our Savior (John 3:16). It was love that kept Him on the cross. It is love that will bring our King back one day. Like a bride adorned and waiting for her groom, the church awaits her King. Christ came once, and His love was gracious and redeeming. Christ will come again, and His love will graciously invite us into His kingdom and forever into eternity.

God's love is gracious because it is unmerited, favorable, freely given, and undeserved. If you would be faithful to obey the words of Ephesians 5:1-2 and imitate God, then consider His love as you walk in love. "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; 2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour."

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Interesting Information On Love

When the New Testament was translated from Greek, at least four words were translated as love:

- storge (liking someone through the fondness of familiarity),
- philia (the love between friends),
- eros (the sense of 'being in love'),

• agape. – (unconditional 'God' love).

Love can also make you smarter. When you are in love, your brain releases chemicals such as dopamine, oxytocin, and serotonin, which enhance your memory, creativity, and learning abilities. - Love can change your taste buds.

<u>4 Facts About Hugs: Why You Should Embrace the Embrace</u>

- They Relieve Stress and Pain. Hugging often creates a feeling of calmness and relaxation. ...
- They Strengthen Our Immune System. A hug a day may, in fact, keep the doctor away. .
- They Make Us Happier. ...
- They Help Deepen Our Relationships.



<u>10 TRUTHS ABOUT GOD'S LOVE FOR YOU TODAY</u> <u>1- GOD DELIGHTS IN ME.</u>

God loves me in the same way a thrilled parent loves and delights in their newborn child. The LORD your God is with you! He is mighty to save! He will take great delight in you, He will quiet you with His love. He will rejoice over you with a song. –Zephaniah 3:17

2 - NOTHING CAN SEPARATE ME FROM GOD'S LOUE FOR ME.

Awful things may happen to me. I may even do awful things. But the fact remains: God's love never changes one iota for me. His love is constant. I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. –Romans 8:38-39

10 TRUTHS ABOUT GOD'S LOVE FOR YOU TODAY

3 - I WAS LOVED FIRST.

Long before I ever even thought about loving God or following Him, He loved me. He initiated this love relationship He wants to have with me. He loved me first. We love because He first loved us. -1.John 4:19

4 - <u>I AM LOVED WITH AN EVERLASTING LOVE.</u>

God's love for me never quits. It's not temporary. It will go on for infinity. Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good. His love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of gods. His love endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords. His love endures forever. -Psalm 136:1-3

10 TRUTHS ABOUT GOD'S LOVE FOR YOU TODAY 5 - GOD LAVISHES (SHOWERS, HEAPS, FLOODS) HIS LOVE ON ME.

God's love for me isn't measure out in teaspoons. It's measured out to me in giant heaps, so large I can't see the top of it. See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called the children of God! And that is what we are! -1 John 3:1

6 - GOD'S LOVE WILL DRIVE ME TOWARD LIVING A BETTER LIFE.

The more I'm focused on God's love for me, the more I'll obey and follow Him—because I'll trust Him more. Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all... 2 Corinthians 5:14

<u>10 TRUTHS ABOUT GOD'S LOVE FOR YOU TODAY</u>

7 - GOD'S LOUE DRIVES OUT EVERY FEAR.

The opposite of love isn't hatred. The opposite of love is fear. One of the most powerful effects of God's love in my life is the way being loved by the Creator of the Universe drives away my fear. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. 1 John 4:18

8 - <u>I EXPERIENCE MORE OF GOD'S LOVE WHEN I'M LOVING OTHERS</u> <u>AND BEING LOVED BY THEM.</u>

God's love doesn't just come to me when I'm alone. It comes to me—even more—when I'm living in community with other people, loving them and receiving love from them. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God's lives in us and His love is made complete in us. 1 John 4:12

<u>10 TRUTHS ABOUT GOD'S LOUE FOR YOU TODAY</u>

<u>9 - THE LOVE OF GOD IS MEANT TO BE THE FOUNDATION OF MY LIFE.</u>

I'm tempted to build my life on so many other foundations—my efforts, how life seems to be going, what other people think of me. But the best, strongest, truest foundation for my life is the love of God for me. I pray that you would be rooted and established in love... and grasp how wide and love and high and deep is the love of Christ.
Ephesians 3:17–18

10 - <u>IFI'M EVER QUESTIONING GOD'S LOVE FOR ME, I ONLY HAVE TO</u> <u>CONSIDER HIS SACRIFICE ON THE CROSS MADE FOR ME.</u>

I can't always look to the circumstances of my life to get a sense of God's love for me. The most constant, fullest, largest expression of God's love for me is the sacrifice Jesus made for me—to remove my sins and make me a child of God. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. -John 15:13 God demonstrates His own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. -Romans 5:8. Written By : JEFF DAVENPORT



<u>Memory Verses</u>

Breath Prayers: Isaiah 43

Inhale: Do not fear, Exhale: for I have redeemed you;

Inhale: I have called you by your name, Exhale: you are mine.

I will be with you Inhale: Exhale: when you pass through the waters,

Inhale: and when you pass through rivers 🐲 Exhale: they will not overwhelm you.

Inhale: You will not be scorched Exhale: when you walk through fire,

Inhale: For I am the Lord your God Exhale: and your Savior.

Inhale: Do not fear. Exhale: for I am with you.

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I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. Galatians 2:20

God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. Psalm 46:5

I HAVE FOLIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT I HAVE FINISHED THE RACE I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH. 2 TIMOTHY 4:7

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. James 1:5

Judge not, and you shall not be judged. Condemn not, and you shall not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you. Luke 6:37–38 Bible Study Tools

FOR OUR CITIZENSUIP IS IN HEAVEN FROM WHICH WE ALSO FAGERLY WAIT FOR THE SAVIOR THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, PHILIPPIANS 3:20

My heart, O God, is steadfast; I will sing and make music with all my soul. Psalm 108:1

Fear not for I am with you...yes, I will help you; yes, I will hold you up and retain you with My right hand of rightness and justice. Isaiah 41:10

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Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:16



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I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. John 17:11

> Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me. Revelation 3:20

> > Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to his name. Hebrews 13:15

> > > I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. John 15:15

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MY LITTLE CUILDREN LET US NOT LOVE IN WORD OR IN TONGUE BUT IN DEED AND IN TRUTH. 1 JOHN 3:18

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. James 3:13

Delicious Recipes

Fun



Fun Sauce Recipe's!!

HOMEMADE MARINARA

1 (6 ounces) can pineapple juice 1/4 cup rice vinegar 1/2 cup brown sugar 1/4 cup ketchup 3 tablespoons soy sauce 2 tablespoons cornstarch 2 tablespoons water

HOMEMADE SWEEL



WINTER SORE THROAT TEA

Make sure you have some of this ready. Great recipe for sore throats and chest colds. Makes about 2 cups.

 Two lemons thoroughly cleaned and sliced
 Two piece of ginger about the size of your pointer & middle finger sliced into coin size pieces
 Honey (about 1 cup or Your preferences) Optional: ~1 tsp. ground cinnamon
 In a 12-16 oz. jar combine lemon slices and sliced ginger. Pour honey over it slowly. This may take a little time to let the
 honey sink down and around the lemon and ginger slices. Make sure when the honey has filled in all the voids, there is enough to cover the top of the lemon slices.
 Close jar and put it in the fridge, it will form into a "jelly".
 To serve: Spoon jelly into mug and pour boiling water over it. Store in fridge 2-3 months.

Strawberry Butter Cream Cake

1 (18.25-ounce) Package white cake mix 1 (3-ounce) Package strawberry gelatin 4 Large eggs ½ Cup sugar ½ Cup finely chopped fresh strawberries ½ Cup milk ½ Cup Wegetable oil 1/3 Cup all-purpose flour Strawberry Butter cream Frosting (see below) Garnish with whole and halved strawberries



1 pound lean ground beef ½ medium onion 2 cloves garlic 3 cups chopped cabbage 15 ounces diced tomatoes 8 ounces tomato sauce 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning 2 teaspoons salt

CHEESY CABBAGE CASSEROLE

Iron Boosting Fruit Punch 🍆 🍏 🖑

1 lemon 2 beets 2 gala apples 6oz strawberries 1/2 pineapple

EASY GARLIC HERB DIP



8 oz cream cheese 3 TB milk 3 TB fresh basil **3 TB fresh parsley** 2 TB fresh chives 1 tsp minced garlic



AMBROSIA SALAD

2 cans pineapple chunks, drained 2 cans mandarin oranges, drained 2 jars maraschino cherries, drained 1 can coconut flakes 1/2 bag mini marshmallows 4 oz. sour cream 16 oz. Cool Whip Combine sour cream and Cool Whip. Fold in all other ingredients. Chill covered for at least 2 hours.



3/4 cup olive oil 1/3 cup white vinegar 1/4 cup water 1 packet Italian dressing 1/2 tsp sugar 1 Tbsp mayonnaise Salt & pepper, to taste

EAT YOUR WATER Ochange begins with you Rockmelon 90% Watermelon 92% Oranges 87% Pineapple 87% Strawberries 92% Peach 88%

Grapefruit 91%

Plums 85%

Blueberries 85%

Homemade Worcestershire Sauce

Ingredients:

- 1 cup apple cider vinegar
 - 1/2 cup soy sauce
 - 1/4 cup brown sugar
 - 2 tablespoons water
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
 - 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper (optional)



WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE



Verse 1

I was going through treasures and memories today I found Your love Letters, I'd hidden away. There was tender emotion, With each stroke of your pen I opened the letters and read them again.

Verse 2

There I counted the gifts, You had given so free You never stopped giving, With no word from me They were wrapped in silk ribbons, With each word marked in red I turned through the pages, And here's what You said.

Chorus

Remember I love you, With a love I have loved you I'd like to claim you, Name you my own Remember I love you, With a love I have loved you When you doubt that I do, Just count the tears scattered through My love Letters to you.

Verse 3 By the light of a candle, I picked up my pen You know they don't come easy, So where do I begin? Oh I pray I've not waited, Too long to reply Oh angels please bear my love letters, To my Lord in the sky.

Verse 4 Bride.



Written By Dottie Rambo

Well I just read Your answer, With tears in my eyes You said the stage has been set, For the Groom and the

Oh I shudder to think, Just how sad life would be If I'd never read, Your love Letters to me.



Greetings,

Hope you all enjoyed our February Edition of our W.O.G magazine! Hard to beleive we are a year and 2 months into doing these. It's been a lot of fun and looking forward to doing many more!

Just wanted to share a little thought with you as I end this particular one. Love is a very special blessing to experience in life. To love and be loved here on earth is so precious but also can be a rare find. Unfortunately there are many people who seem to go thru life feeling unloved or unlovable, never really knowing how it feels to be someone's beloved. How hard and sad it would be to go thru life feeling so alone. As Christian's it is our calling to show those who we come in contact with our love, kindness and compassion but more importantly, the unconditional & never ending agape Love that only can come from our Heavenly Father! Imagine the feeling to go from feeling so alone and never really knowing love to being introduced to Jesus... who loves us all more then we can even begin tp fathom, he died for us, there is no greater love then to lay down your life for someone (John 15:13. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.)

So I guess my thoughts are, spreading love & Kindness every where we go is of course what we always should do as we are ambassadors for Christ and He instructs us to do so in John 15:12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. The best and most important way to show love to others is to live our lives and use our words in such a way that they will be led to God, Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Love & God Bless, Sis Michelle