



DENIA

COMMUNITY CHURCH



“How Deep a Father’s Love for Us”

Sunday, October 2nd, 2022

“If not for Jesus,
I could never face the Father.”

Sermon Preview – How Deep a Father’s Love for Us



1. Challenges to Seeing God the Father as Loving
2. The Father’s Love: Revealed in His Word
3. The Father’s Love: Revealed in His Actions
4. The Father’s Love: Revealed in Our Lives
5. Conclusion: What would God have Us Know, Feel, and Do

Challenges to Seeing God the Father as Loving

1. We Feel Unlovely
2. Love Languages Confusion
3. “Bad Dad” Experiences

The Father's Love: Revealed in His Word



1. God's Very Nature is Love

a) "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love. - 1 John 4:7-8

2. God's Love is Sacrificial

a) "By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins." - 1 John 4:9-10

3. God's Love was Preemptive

a) "We love, because He first loved us." - 1 John 4:19

The Father's Love: Revealed in His Word



4. God's Love is Loyal

a) "Then the Lord passed by in front of him and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth;" - Exodus 34:6

5. God's Love is Enough

a) "Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, my lips will praise You." - Psalms 63:3

6. God's Love Is Enduring

a) "For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." - Romans 8:37-39

The Father's Love: Revealed in His Actions

1. Our Rescue
2. Our Adoption
3. Our Inheritance



The Father's Love: Revealed in His Actions



1. Our Rescue

a) What have we been rescued from?

i. “For I joyfully concur with the law of God in the inner man, but I see a different law in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin which is in my members.” – Romans 7:22-25

ii. “And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.” – Ephesians 2:1-4

iii. “The domain of darkness” – Colossians 1:13

The Father's Love: Revealed in His Actions



1. Our Rescue

a) Who Rescued Us?

a) “Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!” – Romans 7:24-25

b) “But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ” – Ephesians 2:5-6

c) “For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.” – Colossians 1:13-14

A Father's Love: Revealed in His Actions



1. Our Adoption

- a) “For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him.” - Romans 8:14-17

- b) “But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.” - John 1:12-13

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1. Our Adoption

c) “If you want to judge how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God’s child, and having God as his Father. If this is not the thought that prompts and controls his worship and prayers and his whole outlook on life, it means that he does not understand Christianity very well at all. Our understanding of Christianity cannot be better than our grasp of adoption. To those who are Christ’s, the holy God is a loving Father; they belong to his family; they may approach him without fear, and always be sure of his fatherly concern and care. This is the heart of the New Testament message.” – JI Packer

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1. Our Inheritance

a) God will Dwell Among Us as a Loving Father

- i. “And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.” - Revelation 21:3-4

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1. Our Inheritance

b) The Son Prepares a Place for Us in the Father's House

- i. "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also." - John 14:1-3

c) He will Spend Eternity Showing Us His Kindness

- i. "...so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus." - Ephesians 2:7

A Father's Love: Revealed in Our Lives



1. My Testimony of God's Love

a) "It's a boy!"

b) "I can't do this if I'm going to be afraid."

c) "Ella es mi princesa."

2. What about You? How would you testify to the Father's love in your life?

How Deep a Father's Love for Us: Application



1. What are we to know?
 - a) God our Father profoundly loves us
 - b) It was the Father's love that initiated the Rescue Mission
 - c) God has demonstrated His love for us in our Rescue, Adoption, and Inheritance

2. What are we to feel?
 - a) Deeply, Unconditionally, Irrevocably Loved
 - b) Eternally Grateful

3. What are we to do?
 - a) Love Him back!
 - b) What'sApp Challenge – Testify to God's Love in Your Life





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