

God Loves People

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Mark 10:21 (ESV)

And Jesus, looking at him, loved him.

This man represents all mankind of the world. He is lost and separated from God without any spiritual understanding. Jesus' attitude toward this man reveals the heart of God toward all of mankind that are hopeless and lost separated from God. Jesus, looking at him, loved him! Jesus' heart attitude should challenge us in our attitude toward those unbelievers around us. However, let us bring this home. This is how Jesus looked at us before we accepted HIM. In our lost sinful state, Jesus looked at us and loved us. We are proof God loves people.

Romans 5:8 (ESV)

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Our own personal testimony. We all can recall God's hand in our life before we accepted Christ. God was interested in us before we were interested in HIM. HE loved us before we came to him.

God loved people so much HE became one of us.

John 1:1 (ESV) NO/OH

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:14 (ESV) NO/OH

And the Word "became flesh" and dwelt among us.

God became an earthly person. God clothed Himself with human flesh through Jesus. Jesus was 100% God and 100% man. Luke tells us clearly how the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

Luke 2:11 (ESV) NO/OH

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

God loving the majesty of HIS creation, became human like HIS creation. Not like evolution but like HIS creation! God became man and lovingly sealed HIS creation, man, for all eternity by removing the penalty for all sin that separated man from God.

2 Corinthians 5:21 (ESV)

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

God love us while we were sinners and Jesus became sin. Our sin was nailed to the cross with Jesus. Now with sin nailed to the cross, we have fellowship with God.

Romans 4:7 (ESV)

Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered;

We are truly Covered in the Blood of Christ. This is a picture of a continuous never-ending flow of blood from the cross continually covering our sins. The OT prophesied this.

Psalm 32:1–2 (ESV) NO/OH

¹ Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

² Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity.

God loved us while we were sinners and died for us to remove sin that separated us from God. Fathom the LOVE of God. We know we are not perfect. We know we fall short of God in every way. No one has to tell us. We already know. However, no matter what happens we also know that we are absolutely and totally loved by God regardless of our failures. Christ will never condemn us.

Romans 8:34 (ESV)

Who is to condemn? Not Jesus. Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

How could we ever be condemned in heaven or on earth? Christ will never condemn us. Christ died for us; Christ was raised for us, and Christ is our advocate sitting at the right Hand of God, and HE is praying for us.

Romans 8:35 (ESV)

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

There is absolutely nothing that could separate us from the love of Christ.

Romans 8:38–39 (ESV)

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

God loves people. Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. Here is the proof.

1 John 3:16 (ESV)

By this we know love, that he laid down HIS life for us!

Who did Jesus lay down HIS life for? People! For us! God loves us and nothing can separate us from that love. By Virgin Birth, we see God love us so much that HE became a man, one of us. Therefore, when the Apostle Paul writes to the church at Rome, he says,

Romans 1:7 (ESV)

To all those in Rome (BCC) who are loved by God.

This Christmas, celebrate all the glories of Christ. Remember that the virgin birth is evidence that God loves people. More specifically HE loves us, and nothing can separate us from that love and we will spend eternity with HIM.

Merry Christmas!

John 3:16 (ESV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.