

Living As The Beloved Of God

Learning to Abide in the Love of God

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- **Principles of Being the Beloved of God**
 - 1. We are Deeply, Deeply LOVED by God**
 - 2. We are Taken!**
 - 3. We are Blessed!**
 - 4. We are Broken!**
 - 5. We are Given!**

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- **We are Taken, Blessed, Broken and Given Mat.14:19**
- **We are called to live our lives with a deep inner Joy, Hope, Peace and Purpose.**
- **We are to live our lives in contrast to a world that is trying to convince us that the burden is on us to prove that we are worthy of being loved.**
- ***“News Flash”* – Social media makes us feel more lonely and dissatisfied with our lives!**

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- What about our careers, families, community involvement, sports?**
- The world has lots to offer and it is only evil when you become its slave**
- All the good our world and culture are ours to enjoy when we see them as gifts of love from our Father**
- James.1:17 – Every good gift is from the Father**
- John17:15 – do not...take them out of the world, but ...keep them from the evil one.**

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- Our struggle is not leave the world but to live in the world, in the love of the Father, but not be OF the world**
- We need to think of ourselves as Ambassadors of our King, living in a foreign realm, totally dependent on the King who sent us, but, enjoying the many good things that place has to offer, but always aware of where we have come from and where we are returning to one day. Heb.11:13-16**
- 2 Cor.4:5-5:20,21 – The Love of Christ Controls Us!**

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- As long as you live in the world, looking to the world as the source of life, yielding to its enormous pressures to prove to yourself and others that you are somebody, and knowing from the beginning you will lose in the end, your life can be scarcely more than a long struggle for survival.**
- Spiritually, you do not belong to this world. That is why God keeps you here. Your presence will allow them to catch a glimpse of the REAL LIFE!**

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- There must be a change in the way we think. To change from living life to prove we deserve to be loved, to living in an unceasing “YES” to the truth of living as the Beloved of God. Col.3:1-3**
- Our death is simply the journey back to the One from whom we come and who calls us His beloved.**
- Death is the doorway to the fullness of life!**
- Society looks at death as a failure! They see Death is the enemy that will eventually get the better of us!**

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- 1. Seek to academically understand the Love of God**
- 2. Pray that you would have the power to have the eyes of your heart enlightened to grasp how GREAT the love of God is!**
- 3. Discern what you are Preferring over God**
- 4. Pray God would show you all the good gifts He gives you everyday**
- 5. Be Joyfully Thankful!**