

2025 ONE MONTH OF ADORATION



RETURNING TO OUR FIRST LOVE



APRIL 2, 2025

Loving Christ with Everything
Heart, Soul, Mind, and Strength

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT: Jesus doesn't ask for a piece of us—He desires our whole heart. True love is all-consuming. This week, allow the scriptures to search you, to reveal how you can love Christ more fully.

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURES:

Jeremiah 29:13 *"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."*

Question: Am I truly seeking God with *all* my heart, or am I holding something back? What would wholehearted pursuit of God look like in my daily life?

Proverbs 4:23 *"Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it."*

Question: What influences have I allowed into my heart lately? How can I better guard the affections and desires that shape my life?

Romans 12:2 *"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."*

Question: Where am I still conforming to worldly patterns? What needs to change in how I think to reflect Christ more fully?

Psalms 119:2 *"Blessed are those who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart."*

Question: Does my pursuit of God show in my choices and obedience? How can I seek Him more intentionally in this season?

Isaiah 26:8 *"Yes, Lord, walking in the way of your laws, we wait for you; your name and renown are the desire of our hearts."*

Question: Is God's glory my deepest desire? In what ways am I living to make His name known above my own?

Philippians 3:13-14 *"...Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me."*

Question: What do I need to let go of to press forward in love and purpose? What does it look like for me to run wholeheartedly toward Christ?

KEY POINTS:

- True love for Christ is wholehearted and holistic.
- Loving Christ includes mind, emotions, will, and physical devotion.
- Our love is a response to His unmatched love for us

Deuteronomy 6:5 and Matthew 22:37 show God's desire for comprehensive devotion—heart (affections), soul (identity), mind (thoughts), and strength (effort). This reflects the Shema, a central affirmation in Jewish faith, repeated by Jesus to emphasize that love for God is all-encompassing. The Psalms express hunger for God's presence, while the Gospels and epistles show that obedience, delight in the Word, and sacrificial worship are the fruit of genuine love.

QUESTION: What does it look like for me to love God with all my heart today? Where have I been holding back?

GROUP DISCUSSION: How has your desire for God's presence grown this week? •
What's one change you feel called to make in your pursuit of Christ?



APRIL 9, 2025

The Fruit of Devoted Love Theme: Love in Faith, Identity, and Devotion

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT: Love for Christ should bear fruit—faith, bold decisions, and steady devotion. Let this week stir you to choose Him daily.

SCRIPTURE & QUESTION;

John 14:23 *"Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them."*

Question: Do I view obedience as an act of love or as a duty? How would my relationship with God deepen if I welcomed Him to dwell in every area of my life?

Galatians 5:6 *"The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love."*

Question: How is my faith visible through the way I love others and love God? Am I more focused on appearances or on sincere love?

Colossians 1:10 *"So that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God."*

Question: Is my life bearing fruit that reflects a deepening knowledge of Christ? What would it look like to live in a way that consistently pleases Him?

Hebrews 11:6 *"And without faith it is impossible to please God."*

Question: Where is God calling me to trust Him more fully? What step of faith have I been hesitant to take out of fear or doubt?

2 Peter 1:5-7 *"Add to your faith goodness... and love."*

Question: What spiritual qualities am I actively developing in my walk with Christ? Which one is God highlighting for growth right now?

John 17:3 *"Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent."*

Question: Am I pursuing knowledge about God or intimacy with Him? How does knowing Christ change the way I live today?

KEY POINTS:

- Love for Christ strengthens our identity and boldness.
- Following Jesus is a daily choice rooted in love.
- Faith and devotion are expressions of intimacy with Him.

In-Depth Bible Study: Psalm 91:14 and Philippians 2:9-11 declare the power and exclusivity of Christ's name and our security in His love. Philippians 3:8 reveals that nothing compares to knowing Him. Luke 9:23 emphasizes daily surrender. Abiding in Him (John 15) produces steady love and fruit. Revelation 2:4 warns against losing first love. This week challenges us to renew our commitment and rediscover joy in belonging to Christ.

QUESTION:

Where do I need to renew my daily choice to love and follow Jesus?

GROUP DISCUSSION:

What keeps us from choosing Christ daily? • How has your identity in His love become clearer this week?

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT: To love Christ fully, we must forsake lesser loves. Let this week be a time of refining. Let go of distractions and idols.

Joshua 24:15 *"Choose this day whom you will serve."*

Question: What competing loyalties in my life challenge my daily choice to serve Christ? How am I actively choosing Him today?

Psalms 86:11 *"Give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name."*

Question: In what areas is my heart divided between Christ and other loves? What would it take for my devotion to become fully undivided?

Matthew 13:44 *"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field."*

Question: Do I truly see Christ and His kingdom as the greatest treasure in my life? What am I willing to give up to gain more of Him?

Galatians 5:24 *"Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires."*

Question: What fleshly desires still try to control my decisions? How can I actively "crucify" them in response to Christ's love?

Ezekiel 36:26 *"I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you."*

Question: Where do I need spiritual renewal or heart transformation? Am I resisting or welcoming the newness God wants to bring?

Colossians 3:2 *"Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things."*

Question: Where has my mind been dwelling lately? How can I train my thoughts to focus more consistently on eternal truth?

KEY POINTS:

- Love for Christ calls for exclusive devotion.
- The world competes for our affection and loyalty.
- We must surrender idols and pursue Him wholeheartedly.

1 John 2:15-17 and James 4:4 contrast the love of the world with love for God. Matthew 6:24 reminds us that divided loyalties are not possible. Revelation 2:4-5 is a call to remember and return. The psalmists and prophets speak of seeking God's face earnestly. This week, we confront distractions and idols to restore Christ as our supreme treasure.

QUESTION: What is God calling me to surrender so I can love Him more?

GROUP DISCUSSION: What do we love that competes with our love for Christ? • How can we actively pursue His heart?

APRIL 23, 2025

Passionate and Patient Love To be Steadfast, joyful, and sacrificial love



DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT: Love for Christ is passionate but also patient. It gives without reservation, praises in every season, and treasures Christ above all.

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURES:

Romans 5:5 – "God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit."

Question: How does the Holy Spirit's presence in my life deepen my understanding and expression of God's love?

James 1:4 – "Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete."

Question: In what area of my life is God asking me to persevere, and how might this season be shaping me into spiritual maturity?

Hebrews 10:36 – "You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised."

Question: What promise of God am I holding onto that requires continued faithfulness and endurance?

2 Corinthians 5:14-15 – "For Christ's love compels us..."

Question: Is my life motivated by Christ's love? How does that love influence my actions, priorities, and decisions?

Psalms 37:7 – "Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him."

Question: What does it look like for me to be still before God right now? Am I trusting His timing or striving in my own?

Luke 21:19 – "Stand firm, and you will win life."

Question: Where do I need to stand firm in my faith? What would it mean to endure for the sake of eternal reward?

KEY POINTS:

- Love is both emotional and enduring.
- Worship and sacrifice are natural responses to love.
- True love treasures Jesus above all else.

Isaiah 30:21 and John 10:27 describe intimate guidance from God. Luke 7 and Mark 14 show acts of passionate devotion. Romans 12:1 defines worship as sacrificial living. Philippians 3:7 highlights the surpassing value of knowing Christ. This week cultivates deeper worship, consistent praise, and joyful surrender.

QUESTION:

How do I express my love for Jesus in joyful praise and sacrificial giving?

GROUP DISCUSSION:

What is one way your love for Christ has deepened in joy or sacrifice? • What do you treasure most about Him?

April 30, 2025

Eternal Love Theme: Joy, Hope, and Unfailing Love



DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT: Love that begins with Christ continues forever. As we close this journey, we rejoice in the eternal, unshakable love we have in Him.

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURES:

John 3:16 – "For God so loved the world..."

Question: How does the truth of God's sacrificial love affect the way I live and love others?

Psalms 136:1 – "His love endures forever."

Question: In what areas of my life do I need to be reminded of the enduring, unchanging love of God?

Revelation 21:3-4 – "He will dwell with them... and wipe away every tear."

Question: How does the promise of God's eternal presence shape my hope and comfort in today's trials?

Romans 8:18 – "Our present sufferings are not worth comparing..."

Question: Am I viewing my current struggles through the lens of eternity? What shift happens when I do?

Ephesians 3:17-19 – "...to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ."

Question: Do I truly believe in the vastness of Christ's love for me? How would embracing it change my confidence and daily walk?

KEY POINTS:

- Christ's love secures our eternity.
- Hope and joy are rooted in His promises.
- Eternal love changes how we live today.

John 15:11 and Psalm 16:11 show the joy of abiding in Him. Romans 8 and 1 Corinthians 13 proclaim that His love never ends. Revelation 22:20 and 2 Timothy 4:8 point to our future with Christ. Song of Solomon 8:6 portrays love as strong as death. This week is a celebration of the unshakeable, everlasting love we've received and now live from.

QUESTION: What does God's eternal love mean for my life today and forever?

GROUP DISCUSSION: What have you learned about the depth of Christ's love? • How will you continue walking in deeper devotion after this study?

Daily Scriptures and Meditation Focus

Why should we fall deeply in love with Christ? His nature, His love,
His sacrifice, and His eternal promises?

HIS UNFAILING LOVE

Fall in love with Christ because His love is constant and pure.

- DAY 1: **Romans 5:8** – But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
- DAY 2: **Jeremiah 31:3** – “I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness.”
- DAY 3: **John 15:13** – Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.
- DAY 4: **Ephesians 3:18-19** – ...how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ...
- DAY 5: **Zephaniah 3:17** – He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing.
- DAY 6: **1 John 4:19** – We love because he first loved us.
- DAY 7: **Psalms 136:26** – Give thanks to the God of heaven. His love endures forever.

HIS GRACE AND MERCY

Fall in love with Christ because He doesn’t give us what we deserve
He gives us grace.

- DAY 8: **Lamentations 3:22-23** – *Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed... Great is your faithfulness.*
- DAY 9: **Ephesians 2:4-5** – *But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ...*
- DAY 10: **Titus 3:5** – *He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy.*
- DAY 11: **Hebrews 4:16** – *Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence...*
- DAY 12: **Psalms 103:10-12** – *He does not treat us as our sins deserve...*
- DAY 13: **PALM SUNDAY: Isaiah 1:18** – *Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow...*
- DAY 14: **Micah 7:18** – *Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives... You delight to show mercy.*

HIS INTIMACY AND FRIENDSHIP

Fall in love with Christ because He wants to be close to you.

- DAY 15: **Revelation 3:20** – *Here I am! I stand at the door and knock... I will come in and eat with that person.*
- DAY 16: **John 15:15** – *I no longer call you servants... Instead, I have called you friends.*
- DAY 17: **Psalms 34:18** – *The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.*
- DAY 18: **GOOD FRIDAY : James 4:8** – *Come near to God and he will come near to you.*
- DAY 19: **Psalms 63:1** – *You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you... I thirst for you.*
- DAY 20: **EASTER SUNDAY: Song of Songs 2:4** – *He has taken me to the banquet hall, and his banner over me is love.*
- DAY 21: **Isaiah 43:1** – *...“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.”*

HIS SACRIFICE AND VICTORY

Fall in love with Christ because He gave everything to make you His.

- DAY 22: **Isaiah 53:5** – *He was pierced for our transgressions... by his wounds we are healed.*
- DAY 23: **John 3:16** – *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son...*
- DAY 24: **1 Corinthians 15:57** – *But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*
- DAY 25: **Colossians 2:13-14** – *He forgave us all our sins... nailing it to the cross.*
- DAY 26: **Galatians 2:20** – *...The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*
- DAY 27: **Philippians 2:8-9** – *He humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!*
- DAY 28: **Romans 8:38-39** – *Nothing will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

HIS ETERNAL PROMISES

Fall in love with Christ because He is forever.

- DAY 29: **John 14:2-3** – *I go to prepare a place for you... that you also may be where I am.*
- DAY 30: **Revelation 21:4** – *‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain...’*