

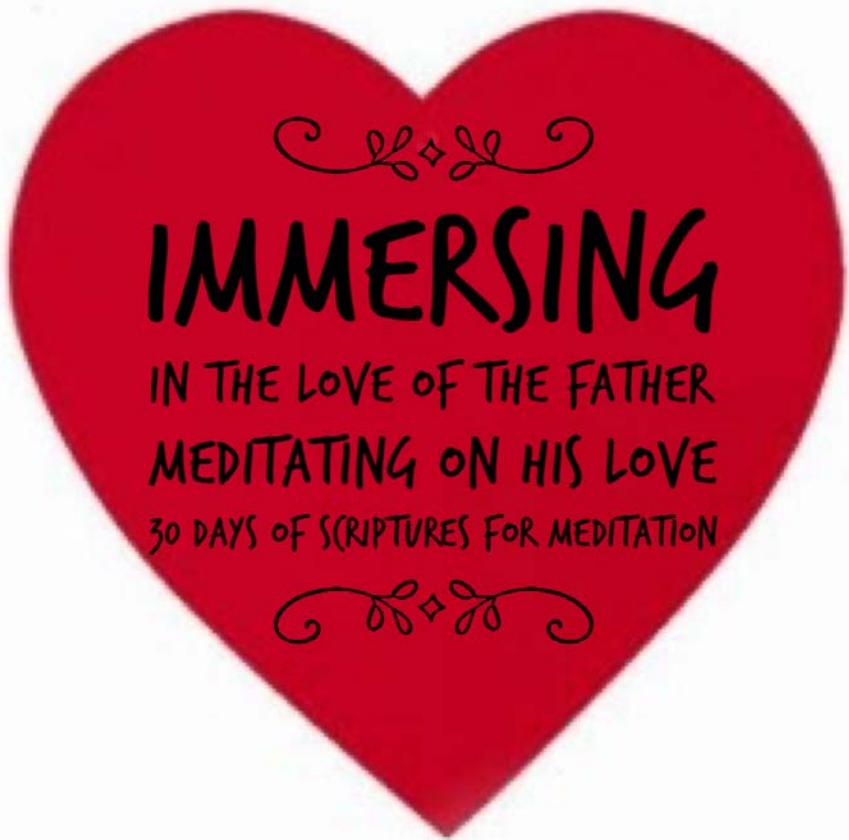
IMMERSING IN THE LOVE OF THE FATHER: MEDITATING ON HIS LOVE

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I pray that these 30 days of meditating on God's love for you will draw you closer to the Father and open the eyes of your understanding to just how much you are completely, truly and unconditionally loved by Him.

Immerse – to plunge into something that surrounds or covers.

Synonyms: throw yourself into; absorb; submerge

Day 1

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His lovingkindness endures forever. (AMP) **1 Chronicles 16:34**

Day 2

But I know that you will welcome me into your house, for I am covered by your covenant of mercy and love. So I come to your sanctuary with deepest awe to bow in worship and adore you. **Psalm 5:7**

But as for me, I will enter Your house through the abundance of Your steadfast love and tender mercy; At Your holy temple I will bow [obediently] in reverence for You. (AMP)

Day 3

You're kind and tenderhearted to those who don't deserve it and very patient with people who fail you. Your love is like a flooding river overflowing its banks with kindness. **Psalm 145:8**

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, Slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. (AMP)

God is all mercy and grace— not quick to anger, is rich in love. (MSG)

Day 4

I, the Lord, watch over my vineyard of delight. Moment by moment, I water it in love and protect it day and night. **Isaiah 27:3**

Day 5

For this reason the Lord is still waiting to show his favor to you so he can show you his marvelous love. He waits to be gracious to you. He sits on his throne ready to show mercy to you. For Yahweh is the Lord of justice, faithful to keep his promises. Overwhelmed with bliss are all who will entwine their hearts in Him, waiting for Him to help them. **Isaiah 30:18**

Therefore the Lord waits [expectantly] and longs to be gracious to you, And therefore He waits on high to have compassion on you. For the Lord is a God of justice; Blessed (happy, fortunate) are all those who long for Him [since He will never fail them]. (AMP)

Day 6

Since you are cherished and precious in my eyes, and because I love you dearly and want to honor you... I am with you now, even close to you, so never yield to fear... **Isaiah 43:4(a)-5(a)**

The Lord appeared to me (Israel) from ages past, saying, "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.

Jeremiah 31:3 (AMP)

Day 7

But this I call to mind, therefore I have hope. It is because of the Lord's lovingkindnesses that we are not consumed, because His [tender]

compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great and beyond measure is Your faithfulness. **Lamentations 3:21-23 (AMP)**

But there's one other thing I remember, and remembering, I keep a grip on hope: God's loyal love couldn't have run out, His merciful love couldn't have dried up. They're created new every morning. How great your faithfulness! **(MSG)**

Day 8

For this is how much God loved the world – He gave His one and only, unique Son as a gift. So now everyone who believes in Him will never perish but experience everlasting life. **John 3:16**

This is how much God loved the world: He gave His Son, His one and only Son. And this is why: so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in Him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life. **(MSG)**

For God so [greatly] loved and dearly prized the world, that He [even] gave His [One and] only begotten Son, so that whoever believes and trusts in Him [as Savior] shall not perish (come to destruction, be lost) but have eternal (everlasting) life. **(AMP)**

Day 9

For the greatest love of all is a love that sacrifices all. And this great love is demonstrated when a person sacrifices His life for His friends. **John 15:13**

Day 10

I love each of you with the same love that the Father loves me. You must continually let my love nourish your hearts. **John 15:9**

I've loved you the way my Father has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love. **(MSG)**

I have loved you just as the Father has loved me; remain in My love [and do not doubt My love for you]. **(AMP)**

Day 11

But Christ proved God's passionate love for us by dying in our place while we were still lost and ungodly! **Romans 5:8**

But God clearly shows and proves His own love for us, by the fact that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. **(AMP)**

Day 12

So now I live with the confidence that there is nothing in the universe with the power to separate us from God's love. I'm convinced that His love will triumph over death, life's troubles, fallen angels, or dark rulers in the heavens. There is nothing in our present or future circumstances that can weaken His love. There is no power above us or beneath us – no power that could ever be found in that universe that can distance us from God's passionate love which is lavished upon us through our Lord Jesus, the Anointed One! **Romans 8:38-39**

For I am convinced [and continue to be convinced – beyond any doubt] that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present and threatening, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the [unlimited] love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **(AMP)**

Day 13

My new life is empowered by the faith of the Son of God who loves me so much that He gave Himself for me, and dispenses His life into mine!

Galatians 2:20(b)

The life I now live in the body I live by faith [by adhering to, relying on, and completely trusting] in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me. **(AMP)**

Day 14

Every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realm has already been lavished upon us as a **love** gift from our wonderful heavenly Father, the Father of our Lord Jesus—all because He sees us wrapped into Christ. This is why we celebrate Him with all our hearts! **Ephesians 1:3**

Day 15

But God still loved us with such great love. He is so rich in compassion and mercy. **Ephesians 2:4**

But God, being [so very] rich in mercy, because of His great and wonderful love with which He loved us **(AMP)**

Instead, immense in mercy and with an incredible love, He embraced us. **(MSG)**

Day 16

Then, by constantly using your faith, the life of Christ will be released deep inside you, and the resting place of his love will become the very source and root of your life. Then you will be empowered to discover what every holy

one experiences - the great magnitude of the astonishing love of Christ in all its dimensions. How deeply intimate and far-reaching is his love! How enduring and inclusive it is! Endless love beyond measurement that transcends our understanding - this extravagant love pours into you until you are filled to overflowing with the fullness of God! **Ephesians 3:17-19**

So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through your faith. And may you, having been [deeply] rooted and [securely] grounded in love, be fully capable of comprehending with all the saints (God's people) the width and length and height and depth of His love [fully experiencing that amazing, endless love]; and [that you may come] to know [practically, through personal experience] the love of Christ which far surpasses [mere] knowledge [without experience], that you may be filled up [throughout your being] to all the fullness of God [so that you may have the richest experience of God's presence in your lives, completely filled and flooded with God Himself]. **(AMP)**

Day 17

And continue to walk surrendered to the extravagant love of Christ, for He surrendered his life as a sacrifice for us. His great love for us was pleasing to God, like an aroma of adoration—a sweet healing fragrance. **Ephesians 5:2**

Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant. He didn't love in order to get something from us but to give everything of Himself to us. Love like that. **(MSG)**

Day 18

Now, may the grace and joyous favor of the Lord Jesus Christ, the unambiguous love of God, and the precious communion that we share in the Holy Spirit be yours continually. Amen! **(2 Corinthians 13:14)**

The amazing grace of the Master, Jesus Christ, the extravagant love of God, the intimate friendship of the Holy Spirit, be with all of you. **(MSG)**

Day 19

Now may the Lord Jesus Christ and our Father God, who loved us and in his wonderful grace gave us eternal comfort and a beautiful hope that cannot fail, encourage your hearts and inspire you with strength to always do and speak what is good and beautiful in his eyes. **2 Thessalonians 2:16-17**

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting comfort and encouragement and the good [well-founded] hope [of salvation] by His grace, comfort and encourage and strengthen your hearts [keeping them steadfast and on course] in every good work and word. **(AMP)**

Day 20

Now may the Lord move your hearts into a greater understanding of God's pure love for you and into Christ's steadfast endurance. **2 Thessalonians 3:5**

May the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the steadfastness and patience of Christ. **(AMP)**

Day 21

When the extraordinary compassion of God our Savior and His overpowering love suddenly appeared in person, as the brightness of a dawning day, He came to save us. **Titus 3:4-5(a)**

But when the goodness and kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared [in human form as the Man, Jesus Christ], He saved us... **(AMP)**

Day 22

Look with wonder at the depth of the Father's marvelous love that He has lavished on us! He has called us and made us and made us His very own beloved children... **1 John 3:1**

See what an incredible quality of love the Father has shown to us, that we would [be permitted to] be named and called and counted the children of God! And so we are! **(AMP)**

Day 23

By this we know [and have come to understand the depth and essence of His precious] love: that He [willingly] laid down His life for us [because He loved us] **1 John 3:16 (AMP)**

Day 24

Those who are loved by God, let His love continually pour from you to one another, because God is love. **1 John 4:7(a)**

Beloved, let us [unselfishly] love and seek the best for one another, for love is from God... **(AMP)**

Day 25

The light of God's love shined within us when He sent his matchless Son into the world so that we might live through Him. **1 John 4:9**

Day 26

This is love: He loved us long before we loved Him. It was His love, not ours. He proved it by sending His Son to be the pleasing sacrificial offering to take away our sins. **1 John 4:10**

Day 27

We have come into an intimate experience with God's love, and we trust in the love He has for us. God is love! **1 John 4:16 (a) (b)**

We have come to know [by personal observation and experience], and have believed [with deep, consistent faith] the love which God has for us. God is love... **(AMP)**

Day 28

There is no fear in love [dread does not exist]. But perfect (complete, full-grown) love drives out fear, because fear involves [the expectation of divine] punishment, so the one who is afraid [of God's judgment] is not perfected in love [has not grown into a sufficient understanding of God's love]. **1 John 4:18 (AMP)**

Day 29

We love Him, because He first loved us. **1 John 4:19 (KJV)**

Day 30

Fasten your hearts to the love of God and receive the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, who gives us eternal life. **Jude 21**

I pray that you are thoroughly convinced that God loves you!

His love is beyond human comprehension. If you have been fortunate to have been loved well during your life, it does not compare to the love of God. If you have had the misfortune of not being loved well, please embrace the Father's love because He does all things well.