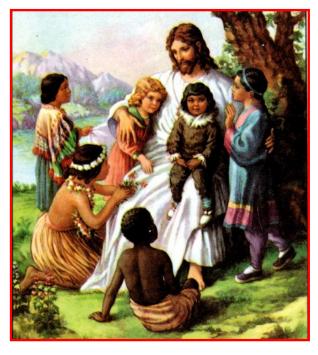
Lesson 49 Pictures of Jesus Love

It was God the Father's love that wanted everyone to be saved from sin. The Father sent His only Son Jesus to earn that forgiveness of sin for all of us. Jesus loved us so much that He came down from heaven, lived a perfect life, and then died on the cross to pay for our sins. It takes more love than we can understand to make so great a sacrifice for the sake of sinners.



1 John 4:8 "God is love."

John 13:1 I "Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love."

John 15:9 I "(Jesus said) as the Father has loved me, so have I loved you."

Romans 5:8 "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 8:35, 37, 39 I "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?...we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us... (*nothing*) will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Romans 13:10 I "Love is the fulfillment of the law."

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Every page of the Bible tells of God's love for all of mankind. Even though we sin against God all the time, He is always ready to forgive and show us His love. That is why Jesus came to earth to live a perfect life and then die on the cross to pay for our sins, to show us God's great love.

Jesus did not come to earth just to <u>tell</u> us about God's love. Jesus did not come to earth just to <u>show</u> us God's love. Jesus came to earth to earn the forgiveness of our sins by sacrificing His life for us. Jesus came to earth to <u>be</u> God's love in a very real way.

The law of God was so strict that we could not keep it. Only Jesus could do this for us. The love of Jesus fulfilled the law for us. Through Jesus we have the forgiveness of our sins and will have eternal life in heaven.

Jesus is the Son of God and is truly God. Jesus did not have to leave heaven to live as a man. Jesus did not have to suffer so much in order to give us the gift of salvation. Jesus did not have to die on the cross to guarantee the forgiveness of our sins. Jesus did all of this because of His great love for us. Even now when

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we sin, Jesus is always ready to forgive us and give us another chance. This is love so great that no one can fully understand it.

Not only did Jesus love us so much that He gave His life for us but He loves us so much that nothing can take away Jesus' love from us. Nothing can separate us from the love of Jesus. His love is so great that He will always be ready to forgive our sins and welcome us into heaven one day. That really is love!

PRAYER TIME

We thank you Jesus for your great love for us. You fulfilled the law of God that we could not obey and then gave Your life to pay for our sins. Because of what You did for us we have peace with God the Father and share in His love. Amen

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