


“God Loves Me!”

LESSON 3 – OUTLINE



1. God supernaturally revealed His love to me in a Saturday night prayer meeting.
 - A. It was March 23, 1968, and I was eighteen years old.
 - B. God’s unconditional love was no longer an abstract concept to me—it was real!
 - C. For the next four-and-a-half months, I literally experienced God’s supernatural love transforming my life.
2. Satan tried to get me to value man’s opinion more than what God had revealed to me.
 - A. If I had begun placing value on that, then my value, worth, and reverence for what God had said would have started coming down, and I would have begun losing the revelation of it.
 - B. When these people—whom I respected, had tried to please, and had tried to gain their acceptance—started ragging on me, I just turned away.
 - C. I maintained the same relative worth and value on the things of God, and because of this, God’s supernatural, unconditional love that He had given me didn’t diminish.
3. Your love for God ought to make your love for your parents, spouse, children, and friends look like hate in comparison (Luke 14:26).
 - A. You should love them, but your love and intimacy with the Lord should far surpass it.
 - B. You’ll run into problems when your relative worth for these things, such as relationships, the recognition of others, and your career is too close to your worth for God.
 - C. These things are okay in their proper place, but what if loving, following, and speaking for God costs you relationships, career, or acceptance?
 - D. Would you do whatever the Lord asked you, or would your relative worth be too close?
4. At one time or another, the Lord has touched you in a significant way.
 - A. Then Satan came at you in a myriad of ways in order to get you to place value on something other than God.

- B. He attacked that Word and the worth you placed on it in an attempt to get your identity off of what God said.
 - C. If you've lost the manifestation of your joy, peace, healing, or revelation, it's because somewhere along the way you quit glorifying God.
5. I've had terrible things happen in my life, but they've just been momentary flashes.
- A. Any discouragement or depression I've felt has never lasted more than an hour or so.
 - B. Since 1968, there hasn't been a full day that I haven't had peace and joy.
 - C. I place value and worth on the fact that God loves me.
 - D. I've spent a huge amount of time glorifying—esteeming, placing value and worth on—what God has done in my life, and because of that, it's only grown stronger and gotten better.
6. The reason you're a leaky vessel is because you aren't valuing what God has done in your life above all else.
- A. You're esteeming other things equal to, close to, or greater than the Lord and His opinion of you.
 - B. You need to intentionally glorify God and disesteem everything else.

For the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame.
HEBREWS 12:2
 - C. You are the one who determines the value of everything in your life.
 - D. You're the one who determines that you can't live with or without all these things—but you can always change your determination!

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LESSON 3 – DISCIPLESHIP QUESTIONS



1. According to Luke 14:26, what should your love for God make your love for your parents, spouse, children, and friends look like in comparison?
2. Which of these people compete with your love for God the most?
 - A. Parents.
 - B. Spouse.
 - C. Children.
 - D. Friends.
3. In this Lesson, Andrew shared how the devil tried to use certain people in his life to steal away the Word. Describe a time in your life when you experienced this too. What did you do? How did things turn out?
4. What did Jesus set before Himself in Hebrews 12:2?
5. What did this enable Him to do?
6. How did Jesus handle the shame?
7. What is it that you need to despise (disesteem) today?
8. What joy should you set before yourself today?

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LESSON 3 – SCRIPTURES



And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit.

EPHESIANS 5:18

If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

LUKE 14:26

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

HEBREWS 12:2