

JAN 13, 2019

THE ONE WHO IS DEVOTED TO YOU

Devotion is the fusion of _____ and _____.

God is, and has always been,

_____ **to you:**

✓ The testimony of _____ authors.

Col 3:12-14; 1John 4:16

✓ The _____ of Genesis.

Gen 1:27-28

✓ The _____ of _____. Mark 6:34; John 1:14, 11:36

How you know if someone loves you:

1) It _____ them. Matt 6:21; 26:39

Though he was God, he did not demand and cling to his rights as God. He made himself nothing; he took the humble position of a slave and appeared in human form. And in human form he obediently humbled himself even further by dying a criminal's death on a cross. (*Php 2:6-8*)

2) You don't have to be "_____."

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this:
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (*Ro 5:8*)

3) It's _____.

No-one takes it (my life) from me, but I lay it down of my own accord.
(*John 10:18*)

TALK IT OVER

Talking through the message during the week can really help clarify the things that God is teaching you and let others learn from your experiences. Get with someone this week and talk about your answers to the following questions:

What thought from the message stands out most to you?

How do you define what it means to be "devoted?"

How does the main thought *God is, and has always been wholeheartedly devoted to you* affect you?

Which of the three proofs of God's devotion has the greatest effect on you?

Read 1John 4:16. What would help you be able to count on God's love more than you currently do?

What is God teaching you about His love for you?

When did you accept God's love for you? Have you been baptized. Why? Why not?

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**God is, and has always been,
WHOLEHEARTEDLY DEVOTED to you:**

- ✓ The testimony of NEW TESTAMENT authors.
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- ✓ The CREATION ACCOUNT of Genesis.
Gen 1:27-28
- ✓ The EXAMPLE of JESUS. Mark 6:34; John 1:14, 11:36

How you know if someone loves you:

- 1) It COSTS them. Matt 6:21; 26:39

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- 2) You don't have to be "DESERVING."

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this:
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- 3) It's FREELY GIVEN.

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