

# How Does God Show His Love for Us?

Today we will look at Paul's letter to the believers in Rome to find our answers to this question:

## 1. **Romans 5:6-8 – He showed His love while we were helpless and sinners**

*<sup>6</sup> For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. <sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.*

Notice the contrast of what the everyday man would do and then what God does.

Now let's look at **Romans 1:16-17**

*<sup>16</sup> "For I am not ashamed of the gospel... pause right there – what is the gospel? It is the good news that Jesus died for us; that He paid the price for our sins so that we don't have to; that we are redeemed through Jesus and found acceptable to God because of the actions of Jesus.*

Paul goes on to say: *For it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, (so believing in Jesus and that He paid the penalty for our sins is required for salvation) to the Jew first and also to the Greek. <sup>17</sup> For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "But the righteous man shall live by faith."*

Not just obedience to His commands, but knowing that whatever circumstance we are in, He is in control and will guide us through.

## 2. **Romans 1:18-20 – God shows His love through kindness**

*<sup>18</sup> For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, <sup>19</sup> because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. <sup>20</sup> For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.*

*<sup>21</sup> For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. <sup>22</sup> Professing to be wise, they became fools...*

**Romans 2:1-4**

*Therefore you have no excuse, every one of you who passes judgment, for in that which you judge another, you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. <sup>2</sup> And we know that the judgment of God rightly falls upon those who practice such things. <sup>3</sup> But do you suppose this, O man when you pass judgment on those who practice such things and do the same yourself, that you will escape the judgment of God?*

*<sup>4</sup> Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that **the kindness of God leads you to repentance**?*

3. **Romans 15:13 – God shows His love by giving joy, peace, abundant life, and direction**  
*Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

**Ephesians 3:20-21**

*Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.*

**John 10:10b**

*I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.*

**Proverbs 3:5-6**

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart  
And do not lean on your own understanding.*

*<sup>6</sup> In all your ways acknowledge Him,  
And He will make your paths straight.*

**Zephaniah 3:17**

*“The Lord your God is in your midst,  
A victorious warrior.  
He will exult over you with joy,  
He will be quiet in His love,  
He will rejoice over you with shouts of joy.*

**Philippians 4:**

*Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

