

## THE LOVELINESS OF CHRIST

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### **1. The Loveliness of Christ.**

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**Psalms 27:4:** “One thing I have desired of the LORD, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD All the days of my life, To behold *the beauty of the LORD*, And to inquire in His temple.”

**Psalms 50:1-2:** “1 The Mighty One, God the LORD, has spoken and called the earth from the rising of the sun to its going down. 2 Out of Zion, *the perfection of beauty*, God will shine forth.”

### **2. The Forgiveness of Christ.**

*Jesus forgives the paralyzed man:* “Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you...” (Matt.9:2).

*Jesus forgives a sinful woman:* “Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.” 48 Then He said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.” (Lk.7:47-48).

*Jesus forgives His enemies:* “Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.”

*Jesus forgives Peter:* “This is now the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised 15 So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Feed My lambs.” 16 He said to him again a second time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Tend My sheep.” 17 He said to him the third time, “Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you love Me?” Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?” And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.”

Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep. 18 Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry *you* where you do not wish” (Jn.21:14-18).

### **3. The Patience of Christ.**

**Neh.9:30:** “Yet for many years You had patience with them, and testified against them by Your Spirit in Your prophets. Yet they would not listen.”

**Rom.15:5:** “Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus.”

**Psalms 103:8-14:** “The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. 9 He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; 10 he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. 11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; 12 as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. 13 As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him; 14 for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.

**Matt.20:26-28:** “26 And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, “Peace to you!” 27 Then He said to Thomas, “Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing.” 28 And Thomas answered and said to Him, “My Lord and my God!”

#### **4. The Sympathy of Christ.**

**Heb.4:14-16:** “14 Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* confession. 15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all *points* tempted as *we are, yet* without sin. 16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**Psalms 34:19:** “Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all.”

**Mark 6:34:** “And Jesus, when He came out, saw a great multitude and was moved with compassion for them, because they were like sheep not having a shepherd. So He began to teach them many things.”

**Heb.5:2:** “He can have **compassion** on those who are ignorant and going astray, since he himself is also subject to weakness.

#### **5. The Grace of Christ.**

**Luke 19:1-6:** “1 Then *Jesus* entered and passed through Jericho. 2 Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. 3 And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. 5 And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, “Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house.” 6 So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully.

#### **6. The Vicarious Love of Christ.**

**Rom.5:6-11:** “For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. 10 For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. 11 And not only *that*, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.”

**1 Pet.3:18:** “For Christ also suffered once for sins, the **just** for the **unjust**, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit.”

**2 Cor.5:21:** “21 For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.”

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- 1) Are you willing to trust Christ for your reconciliation?
- 2) Will you, O Christian trust Christ for your soul healing?

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