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Decoding God's love

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What beautiful songs we are singing today! It's so glorious!

We want to talk about God's love today. How is that? Amen! It's important to know about God's love. And I am not talking about any relativist type of love, I am not talking about the type of new age Jesus that everybody wants to paint; we want to talk about real love, God's real love. We want to go into some of the nuances of the different processes that are available and alive in understanding God's love, and then how that manifests in our life. So in essence, we want to go decode that kind of process of how love then forms eventually into God's joy, and how the joy of the Lord becomes our strength.

Let's start with John 21:9-15. Let's read together:

9- As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there and fish laid there on and bread. 10- Jesus saith unto them, "Bring of the fish which ye have now caught. 11 Simon Peter went up and drew the net to land full of great fishes a hundred and fifty and three and for all there were so many yet was not the net broken. 12- Jesus saith unto them, "Come and dine" and none of the disciples durst ask them, "Who are thou?" Knowing that it was the Lord 13- Jesus then cometh and taketh bread and giveth them and fish likewise 14- This is now the third time that Jesus showed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead. 15- So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these?" He saith unto him, "Ye Lord, thou knowest that I love thee." He saith unto him, "Feed my lambs"

This is of course the famous encounter where Jesus' resurrected body comes and visits his disciples, and here at the bottom, you'll see that's the first time that he asks Simon Peter if he loves him. And of course there are three times when Jesus asks Simon Peter, "Do you love me?"

You know I think as we are living the Completed Testament life, as we are fighting devils and casting out demons, and healing the sick, and raising the dead, we also need to come into contact with God's love. Amen? We also need to get refueled and recharged with His love, because we are on a battleground. We are fighting; we are fighting for truth, in spirit and in truth; but we also need to come into contact with what it's all about.

This is an interesting scene, because this is the scene where, after Christ had passed, died, had been crucified, been killed as a prisoner of the state, executed as a criminal, and now the disciples are all there at the Sea of Tiberias – well not all, Simon is- and they have left the scene

of Jerusalem. They have left Jerusalem, they have left the place where Christ had been crucified, and now they've gone back to their lives. They've gone back to the different works that they had left behind while following Christ, serving him three years. Simon Peter went back to fishing; so he went back to his old job.

And he is out there fishing, trying to move on with his life, from this experience that he had with the Lord for three years, and it was not an easy three years. We know when the time came to the final hour, he denied Jesus three times. He was too embarrassed to be with this man from Nazareth, too embarrassed to say, "Yes I was with Jesus; I am of Jesus!"

So he has sunk his head down into his chest, went back home, and he is back fishing, and all night long he is fishing, but they can't catch anything. And all of a sudden, in the morning they see this man on the shoreline, and they know, they see that it's Jesus. And Simon, the Bible says he was naked, so he put on his raiment and he jumps into the sea. He casts himself into the sea when he sees Christ on the beach; he is that elated!

And then what's interesting about the scene is that Christ calls him, and does not say anything about Peter's denial. I mean this is the man of whom Jesus said, "*Upon this rock I shall build my church*." He had blessed him, giving him such a mighty, mighty blessing, and now at the final hour, he denied Christ three times. He had chance and chance to say, "Yes I am with him," and to stand in faith and to stand in strength. But instead he stood in cowardice, shaking; the atmosphere of others around him, in fear of persecution, fear of belittlement, etc...

Now this man knows in his heart- he is distraught- he knows that he betrayed Christ; he knows he denied him. He even knows the prophecy that Jesus spoke over him, that he would deny him, came true. He feels like a traitor; that he betrayed the Son of God!

When Jesus calls him to the shore, he says, "Come and dine with me! "He says, "*Come and eat*!" And it's interesting because he pulls up the nets, and he gets one hundred and fifty three fish-1-5- 3; that's pretty close to 1- 5- 4! 1-5-4 is the minute and hour Father passed. So it's interesting that there are all this fish that Jesus had miraculously given to them by grace, and they come up unto the shore, and look at what the Scripture says, "*None of them even asked, 'who are you?*" because they knew who he was!

They take bread, they eat with him, and then Jesus asks him. He asks him three times, "Do you love me? Do you love me? "Because Peter denied him three times, "I don't know you; I don't know you, I don't know you!" "Do you love me? Do you love me? Do you love me?" He lets Peter indemnify, step into, and acknowledge that he has committed sin, and that he has fallen from grace.

And he asks him, "Do you love me?" That's the question, "Do you love me?" "Do you love me?" Will you stand for me when it's not popular? Will you stand for me when everybody wants to

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persecute you? Amen! In that hour you may have been weak but I ask you again, 'Do you love me? Or do you love yourself, your reputation, your social networks, your ... whatever it is?' "

I look at this scene and I see such a powerful picture, because in this hour too we are facing that exact situation. We have people who now, for whatever reason, have wanted to run from the truth; but now that we are talking about the truth, they have to confront it, whether they like it or nor; they have to confront it. They can no longer say, "I don't know; I don't know! I don't know; I'm just going to follow without a brain, without a mind, without a heart, because that's where my social networks go, because that's what is popular, because that is what will not give me any persecution or put any ripples in my waves, in my life." Amen?

And meanwhile God is asking, "Do you love me?" What 's amazing about this is that when he asks that and Peter is convicted by the Holy Spirit, he knows Jesus is asking him that because he denied him, and he was a coward to stand up for him at the final hour, that he looked to preserve his own life more than God's. And he is convicted with the Holy Spirit, and this time he says,"Yes Lord, I love you!"

He goes on from this place to then drop everything; he drops everything, and he goes out to preach about Christ. He knows he is going to die, and eventually he is crucified upside down, because he feels that he is unworthy to be crucified right side up.

You see when God asks you, "Do you love me?" This is the reaction that a true believer gave. It is not a reaction of, "Oh yes! I love you," and that's it. He then stepped forward and gave his life; he risked it all. He realized that he could not live in cowardice and in fear, but that he would have to live in the strength of God's love, and press forward into danger, into risk, into certain death.

And this is really what you see! You see the whole world church, and you see people who just want to ignore the issue, because it is more comfortable; it does not mess up with their frame of reference or their comfort zone. You have another group who is just sitting there, lukewarm, watching, "Which side will we jump on? Which side will be more politically expedient? Which side?" This is of course what Jesus said, "*If you are lukewarm, I will spit you out*!"

This is the time where it becomes clear, where you stand and what you believe. It becomes very clear what you believe, if you believe Father, Christ was some kind of peace activist. We usually say, "The God of *shalom*," and *shalom* means 'peace'. The deep meaning of *shalom* is not peace; it is completeness. The meaning of *shalom* is completeness. He is the God of completeness; and in that completeness there is peace, there is righteousness, there is joy, and there is abundance. Amen?

But it was interesting, because I was praying about the love of God, and that if we are filled with the love of God, we can face death, certain defeat, and we can stand in strength with a supernatural power that is not human. Normally in the flesh, we would buckle under that kind

of persecution or pressure, but because we stand in the love of God, and we are willing to give our life for Him- just like Peter- to die for Him, we are filled with a supernatural power.

I was wondering, "What is the connection between that? How is it that when we experience the love of God, then we receive a supernatural power?" I was looking at Cheon Seong Gyeong the other day, and Father was writing in CSG 137, "What is it that God regrets? It is that humanity inherited a false lineage. You inherited false blood. Satan is the origin of this. He always wants to create havoc with all things of creation. You are connected to such a universe, such rights of ownership and such a lineage. The source of all these five functions- what you see, think, smell, say and touch- belong to the satanic side. "

When we see this, we usually just think 'lineage', but that word 'ownership' is so important to understand. You know Father said that God is the True Father, True Teacher, and the True *ju-in* which means the True Owner. He is the True Owner.

Last week we talked about the ethics of ownership, because when we live our life, we are going to give our life to something. You have to be owned by something, whether you like it or not. You're going to be owned by this ideology, you are going to be owned by that ideology, you are going to be owned by relativism, feminism, whatever it is. You are going to bow down to something and be owned by that in your life, whether it is money, knowledge, power; whether it's your success, whether it's your own self-narcissism. Whatever it is, you will bow to something in your life. Amen? You will; it's unavoidable. You will live your life for something.

And the real task is to understand how ownership is connected to God's love for us. See, I believe that when we surrender to God's love, then we are also surrendering to His right of ownership, as Father is talking about. We are surrendering to His right of ownership, which is already His, but we are acknowledging it, and we are freely choosing to come under His dominion through the active action of surrendering to God.

When we come into that surrendering to God, acknowledging that He owns us, that we are Histo put it in a more colloquial way- that He owns us, and then we have a protection that God puts around us, immediately, because anything that God loves and owns, He protects; just like anything you love and own you protect. Amen?

And that is where the power of God's protection comes: when we surrender to His ownership and to His love, there is power; the Bible talks about the hedge of protection that surrounds us. I remember one time we were doing Bible study, and somebody asked, "Does God really judge us and then burn us?" And I said, "God has a hedge of protection."

The gentleman had chickens; he raises chickens. So I said, "When your chickens leave the coop, are you judging them when they get eaten by a wolf? They have left the hedge of protection and the predators are there to devour them. They have left that hedge of love and ownership, and it

is not even the owner that has to condemn them; they are eaten by the predators, because they left the hedge of protection. Amen?

It is so important; we are going to surrender ourselves to something whether it's some kind of civil rights movement, whether it's some kind of personal investment we are doing, whether it's our family, whether it's ourself, whether it's self pity; whatever it is, you are going to surrender to something. You have to surrender to something in your life. I don't care who you are, you are going to surrender to art, to video games, whatever it is, you are going to surrender to something; your life will be lived for something.

But all those paths are empty paths, and they do not lead to your *shalom*, your completeness, because your completeness and your *shalom* can only come from the Creator. It's the only One; it's the only path. The more we rebel and run from that, the more pain we will feel, because we don't want to surrender to God's ownership. We don't want to feel like a possession even though when we get married and we are lovey-dovey, we want to say, "You belong to me, and I belong to you."

We stay oblivious to the fact that we are going to be possessed by something, and we chose so many other things in life trying to believe, and make ourselves believe that they are not possessing us, that we are in control, and our life spins out of control. Amen?

But when we come into the surrendering to the true owner, to the true owner, look at these: the five functions, the five senses can be taken back from the dominion of Satan. What we used to see was what Satan wanted to see. What we used to taste was what Satan wanted to taste. What we used to smell, hear, is what Satan wanted to hear and taste and touch.

But when we come under the ownership of God and surrender to His ownership, God can start reclaiming those spiritual senses as well. He can start giving us now supernatural power in our senses. He can start opening new dimensions of vision, face to face encounter, meetings with God, hearing God's voice; all the things that the prophets in the Scripture lived, saw and breathed with. We come into His presence. I love it!

One preacher I heard said, "When God told Moses, "Take off your shoes for this is holy ground!" He was saying, "Take off your past life; take it off! Take off the sandals of your flesh, and live in the burning spirit, the burning bush, the burning power of the Holy Spirit! Take off the sandals of carnality, and live in the power and authority of the Spirit of God!" Whoo!

I was praying about what is it, what is the difference, because God does love the saint and the sinner. He will go after the publican and the prostitute, just as much as He will go after the churchgoer. Amen? So what is the difference between having God's love, and whether or not it gives Him joy or not?

And the Bible says in Matthew 12:18: When I go to heaven, I want God to be there and say, "*My true and faithful servant in whom I am well pleased*!" There is a connection between God's love and pleasing God, being pleasing to God, that is connected with His joy. If you have children you know that you will love the saint and the sinner in your family; you will love the one that strays and the one that stays.

But there is a difference, because some may please you; you may be proud of those children, and that will give you joy. On the other hand, it's the same; God's love is there; God's love is there for even those who betray Him and walk away from Him and walk into hell out of arrogance and of their own volition, but when they live that type of rebellious life against God, when they desecrate Him – and this is what's happening with the church hierarchy now, desecrating Father, desecrating him, stepping on top and erasing him- God's love is still there, but when He is not pleased, that leads to suffering. His love is still there, but He is not pleased.

When we are doing things that are against His commandments, against His words, we are showing that we really don't love Him!

We are showing that we are just receiving His love; we want to be thieves of His love, receive the benefits of his love, but have no give and receive, no giving to God, no returning that love that we receive, to have God feel joy. And this is when we harm God; this is when we harm Him. God's love is still here, for the saint and the sinner, God's love is still there, it is available; but because they step away from it, refuse to bow before it, surrender to it, it causes God suffering and pain, agony, heartache.

And this is what we will see, because in our church we have all these relativists that will say, "What about God's love? Why don't you love like God?" No! We love like God! That's why we tell you the truth, because we love you and we feel for your soul. This is the reason why we tell you the truth and don't lie to you with honey covered words, to just make you feel warm and cuddly inside. We want you to be real with God, because He is real; he is not ice-cream candy and cotton candy. He is real; He is real!

It's so interesting, because look at what stays consistent in there: God's love is right here and God's love is right there. That does not change. But look at this: the pleasing, whether or not that individual is living a life that is honoring God, uplifting His commandments, trying their best -imperfectly, yes- but trying their best to serve Him and bring Him joy; that is the difference.

That is one who is acknowledging His ownership over me, and because God owns me and I am His, it is my love obligation to return joy to him, by being pleasing to Him. As an object it is my obligation, my love obligation, to return beauty to Him, to be all that He desires from me as an object to be, and to return that to Him, and to let Him be glorified in that.

But God's love does not change. I remember on the 4.21 four rainbow Blessing, returning to True Father's authority, these four rainbows appeared, and what I felt was not only that Father loves us, but that Father was pleased with us when his authority came back.

I think that's very important, because we are fighting a battle, and we are in combat against the devil, and many of us here are actually on the frontlines having battles and skirmishes. And it's important that in the midst of all that, we remember how much God loves us. It is important for us to remember that, because we can lose sight of that in pursuit of the achiever, and we can forget to be a receiver. I am not saying achieving is bad; it is important to achieve for God. Amen?

Who we are dictates what we do; it's not the opposite way around. It's not we do something to become something; who we are dictates what we do. And because we are the beloved of Christ that is the reason we stand for him in the final hour, even though it's tough and even though we get persecuted. But in the midst of that it is also so important to remember, "God loves me," because we can forget; we can forget in the midst of battle that God loves me and He is pleased with me.

You know, for the last couple of weeks we have been talking about the 3-day ceremony, and we have been talking about the Six Marys; whatever the situations are, we talked about them. And what's so interesting is that, unfortunately, we are in a situation where the church hierarchy of course is surrounding Mother, and Mother herself believes that she saved Father from his physical weaknesses.

But really it's the other way around. You see this is what she does not realize: Father saved her continuously. In fact the 3-day ceremony itself was salvation for her, because it was through the 3-day ceremony that all the brides of Christ could be one with Christ through the clothing of Christ upon the husband, and so that each one of the brides would be with Christ through the 3-day ceremony.

It was salvation; it was a gift of heaven that was given to Mother, so that the carnal feelings and the physical feelings, or the personal feelings of pain she might have felt would be liberated. And that is why the 3-day ceremony is critical to receiving the Blessing, especially for first generation; critical, absolutely critical.

I remember one time, Kook-Jin Hyung - let's give a big round of applause for my brother here. I am just so grateful for him- You know what he said to me. He said something to me that blew my mind. He said something that blew my mind! It was a couple of years back, and this was after Father had crowned me and all that kind of thing. My brother came to me, and this is what he said to me. He said,"I know how much Father loves me by seeing how much he loves you!" That blew my mind! Here I am: Father just gave his whole inheritance to me, and his whole

Kingdom, crowned me three times, and he comes to me and he says, "I feel Father's love when I see him love you. I never receive that love, but when I see him love you, I feel his love for me!" That blew my mind!

If you have children, if you have siblings you know how much rivalry there is for the parents' attention. But here was a man who should be angry at me, who should want to kill me, because my father passes his whole inheritance to me, and here he is saying, "I can feel his love by how much he loves you!" I was blown away! Through the years I've thought about that; I realized that truly, is the heart of true surrendering to God's ownership into God's love. That is true surrendering!

I think about our whole situation, I even think about Mother's situation, and how Father would spend time with members, speak with them ten hours, twelve hours, and she would be very upset, because he promised he'd be done in two hours. And it does not only happen once or twice; it happens all the time. So she gets a little unnerved in the flesh. She gets angry,"You promised two hours, how can you be with members, speak with them for fifteen hours? You promised you'd be at the breakfast table; the breakfast is cold now and you can't eat it." This is real. This happened in our house.

But I realized, just like a true elder brother surrenders to God's ownership, and can say to his younger brother who has received all this blessing that he has not merited but it has been given to him, and he can say to that younger, not" you little... I want to whoop you tomorrow!" but he can say to him, "I feel Father's love for me when I see how much he loves you!"

You see, I realize now: all those times when Father was with the members, this was in different countries, so this is like the last time they may even see him, and it was at a situation when, after decades and decades so many archangels had surrounded Mother, encouraging her in that type of thinking.

But if she saw, when Father was giving himself to the members, and giving himself to all the brothers and sisters, the children of God, and she said, "You know what? I feel his love for me, when I see how much he loves you." If she could say that, if she could repeat that in her mind, and if she was surrounded by people who were not trying to exploit her and use her to gain money and power, but by real people who encouraged her in the spirit and the word, and she had that type of mind! Think about that; how different that would be!

She would say, "Look how much he loves our brothers and sisters! That's how much he loves me because that's a reflection of how much he loves me!"

It could have been empowering; it could have been strengthening; it could have built her up spiritually. It could have given her anointing, and authority and spiritual power by just that frame of reference that she would have, instead of saying, "Broke another promise; breakfast getting cold, lunch getting cold; no time for me!"

I feel that in the final hour, God is asking us, and He is truly asking us, "I want to pour out my love on you, but how will you stand? How will you stand in the final hour? Will you stand for me? Will you give your life for me? Not just in words, but are you willing to die for me, just like Peter was?" And God is asking us that.

Because I believe that, as we are standing strong for God, and we are persecuted from left and right, and people around the world who are standing for God are being persecuted from left and right, we have to realize God loves us; that He loves you who are standing for Him. And the next key is that He is pleased with us as we stand for Him. He also loves the sinner, but He is displeased when they desecrate Him. Amen!

So I believe it's important at this time for us to be able to experience God's love. We have to be able to experience the love of God even while we are in battle, and that's not some kind of flaky relativist thing that means, "just say, 'love your enemy' and then cut their head off." No! That's not what it means; or,"love your enemy as they are pillaging, and raping you and destroying you." No! That's not what it means.

We have a right to stand for God. It is our duty to stand for God in the final hour, and it is our duty to stand against predators that are coming into the chicken coop, into the hen house. We have a duty for protection.

You know, I just feel so strongly that Father wants to encourage those who are risking their lives for him now, because I know it goes in waves, and sometimes we feel high but sometimes we feel real low, and sometimes it's invigorating, and sometimes it is tiring.

But I know one thing: I want to be the type of son, when I stand in front of my Father that he says, "My son, you have been faithful and I am well please with you!" I want to be that type of son. I want to be that type of son, even though I lose everything, even though I have nothing; I want to be that type of son that he can see and look up and say, "I am pleased with you my boy!"

I just want to encourage everybody out there, who is standing up and fighting the good fight, and who is coming under tremendous persecution, I was to encourage you. God loves you so much! He gave His life for you and also the sinners, but He is pleased with what you're doing when you're standing up for him in the final hour, when it really counts. You are standing up for Him when everybody is taking the easy route and stepping on Him, because it is what everybody else is doing, and it's where the herd moves. We are the ones who stand for him at the risk of losing everything because of one simple thing, and that's because we love Him. That's it! That's it!

I want to personally also thank all the brothers and sisters who are out there, and of course all of you. You know it is an honor to stand with you in this very tumultuous time; it's a great honor, because I get to stand with people of true faith who believe in Christ, and aren't just church

goers or herd followers, but real people of God, Warriors of Christ who know right from wrong, and who want to please God. And I thank you for that, because it is an honor to walk with those kinds of people; it is an honor! And I truly pray that Father would pour out his love on us today.

Umma, you want to share something on that?

Yeon Ah Nim:

Thank you so much Appa! On behalf of everybody, I'll give him a hug, OK? Thank you, thank you. They know Appa; I didn't say, "Give you applause," but they all gave you applause anyway.

When I think about Father, I have to be honest with you; he was a scary man. I am telling the truth; he was kind of scary. So I was always behind the back, with my husband in front and, "Appa, you go ahead, you do that," and I am always right behind. Because he was scary and he had an immense spiritual power, as you remember.

Many of our first generation they were matched by Father because they really knew, and they believed that Father would know them better than themselves, right. So, Father could even see the whole spiritual world and the whole ancestry behind this person: for us, that's why he can match us. That's what our first generation truly believed, and it was true.

I remember one sister was giving a testimony, and she said she had a dream. She saw Father at the bottom of the ocean; it was so dark, but Father was at the bottom of the ocean. She was so shocked, "Oh, what happened to Father?" She had a chance to go to HDH; Father had HDH and she went there. Father was in the middle of HDH reading his words, and he stopped, and said, "I was at the bottom of the ocean because I was wrestling with the axis of the earth!" And he looked at her eyes, and her jaw dropped.

She said, "Oh my gosh! I didn't even ask him but he answered my question!" She was so surprised, and she said," You know what? Even though we don't ask him he already knows our question; that's why sometimes in HDH, Father was going around and changing topic; Father was answering all those people in the seats." That's what she was testifying about.

You know that testimony only added to my fear towards Father. Indeed, in Proverbs 9:10, it says, "*The fear of the Lord is the beginning of all the wisdom*," right? It is so true. I'd say, "It's so true!"

You know, today I'm hearing my husband's message; it brought me so many tears, because I feel God so much, Father so much. I don't know if that was the reason, but he gave our couple so much blessing. I mean he chose my husband as his successor. How can we ask for more than

that, right? And he called our couple, 'the couple that Heaven loves', so the immense blessing that we got was so amazing!

But it's so easy! When we get a lot of blessing, then loving God and being joyous to God is very easy, right? But the problem and test comes when God tells you to do things that you don't want to do. Sometimes it sounds like things that give you trouble, that's what God asks you to do. When we were in Korea doing the mega church, a couple of thousand people were attending every Sunday, and then we had to drop everything and we had to go and attend Father. That was a very difficult decision, but as we did it, more blessing came; we could attend Father personally, and in the final hour.

When we came here to Pennsylvania and dropped everything, all the position, and everything we had, all the reputation; that was a difficult, difficult thing and I personally didn't want to do it. But we came here, and I got to know our Father more deeply than I ever imagined I could have. This personal relationship that I found with Father was so immense, and at times it felt almost like a curse, it felt almost like Father was punishing me, but Father had a better plan.

Brothers and sisters, just like Job was tested by Satan in approval of God, we are tested and many times we are put through difficult situation, but I realized as I shared with you, Father slapped us, slapped our cheeks in Nigeria, but after that test, he was concerned about us. He was concerned about me."You can't hold any grudge, any resentment toward me!"

I think it's the same thing about God too. He tests us; He puts us sometimes through difficulty, but He is truly concerned about us; He truly loves us, brothers and sisters. When He sees us standing strong, even though it's difficult, and that test becomes His love, and you know what today brothers and sisters? Let us stand strong and testify about His love in the midst of difficulty! Aju!

Pastor Hyung-Jin Nim:

Amen, amen, amen! Thank you Umma!

Let's look at Cheon Seong Gyeong 309, and let's read this together:

"Only true love can influence our motivation, our course, or the end of our life. Human beings were born of love, so they must live for love and even die for love at the end of their lives." Amen! Amen!

I just want you to stay in your seats, and let's just close our eyes right now; I just want to take time right now to be in the presence of God. Many times we invite God's presence, but we don't know how to have Him stay; many times we are just trying to achieve for Him, and He wants to give, but we are not receiving. So I just want to take this time right now to receive from God,

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because in the midst of battle we also have to replenish our nutrients and our love that God is filling us with. Amen!

Let's take this time; **let's pray:**

Father, we thank You so much. God we know You love us so much because Father, you said, *"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake for theirs will be the Kingdom of Heaven!"* Father, we know that we are so blessed; we are blessed to stand for righteousness sake, not self-righteousness, Lord, but for You. Because You are perfect righteousness; You are perfect *shalom*, peace, and completeness. You are perfect perfection, and Father, we want to come into your presence today.

But Father, many times as we battle the demons and devils in our life, and those armies that are coming against us, it is so easy to lose sight of how much You love us, how much You are pleased with us for fighting the good fight.

So Father, we thank You right now for loving us so much, for giving Your life on the cross, over and over again, so that we would be free and living in liberty in your Spirit.

Father, we come in contact with Your love; we want to surrender to Your ownership and Your dominion, and Father, we ask that the Holy Spirit fills us right now. It does not have to come in a super spectacular way; it could come in a smooth wave of the Spirit over us. But Father, we are dropping our expectations of wanting You to show up with lightning and thunder, and we just want to be there in Your presence, however humble or meek it may be.

Father, we want to notice You in our hearts, that are beating right now, which is the grace of life You've given. We want to notice Your presence in the breath that we are taking right now because that is Your grace; we could have died last night. We want to notice You in the sensations that we have in our senses, right now, and we want to claim those senses and all our spiritual senses under Your ownership, Lord. You own our spirit; You own us Father, and we are pleased to be there.

Father, we pray that You would unlock those senses so that we could feel the power of Your rejuvenating love and Your grace that is real and alive in our lives. And Father, as we step forward on the battlefield, to stand for You against those who are standing against You, we always pray that we will remember to bring You joy, to bring You joy, to bring You joy as our purpose!

Father, we pray that we would be those who stand in that anointing; and we pray and we thank You for all the things You are doing, the re- strengthening and re-fueling that You are giving us now; because Father, without You we are nothing, but with You we are everything. We thank You Lord, and give You all the praise, glory and honor, and we report this in all of our names, and we pray this in Your holy name. Amen and Aju!

Let's give God some praise everybody! Let's rise up and hug your neighbor; encourage them this day, and tell them, "Stand strong because God's love is right there, right there!" God bless you!