THE GREATEST LOVE OF ALL – 2 DECEMBER 19, 2021

REVIEW:

- God's love has breadth (world), length (incarnation), depth (crucifixion), and height (resurrection).
- This love is too great to understand or comprehend.
- Understanding it fills us with God's fulness.
- The value of a thing is found in what one is willing to pay for it.
- Our value is measured not in silver or gold, but in Blood!
- We are to place the same value on others and love them as Christ loved us.

CONTINUE:

THE DEPTH OF GOD'S LOVE (CRUCIFIXION)

JOHN 15:13 (TPT) – The crucifixion.

The depth of God's love is seen in the crucifixion and Christ being made sin for us and suffering God's wrath for us.

ISAIAH 53:10-12

His soul (Nefesh) was made an offering for sin V10.

Travail of His soul (Nefesh) V11.

Poured out His soul (Nefesh) V12.

GENESIS 2:7

Man is more than a body, he's a living soul (Nefesh). His soul (inner being) was made an offering for sin. This reveals love that's too great to understand or comprehend in its depth. Nefesh means one's very essence.

ACTS 2:24-32 (HCSB)

The soul of Jesus wasn't forsaken in hell, and His flesh didn't see corruption or decay.

THE HEIGHT OF GOD'S LOVE (RESURRECTION)

EPHESIANS 2:1-7 (HCSB)

It was God's mercy and great love that moved Him to make us alive in Christ and raise us up to sit with Him.

1 JOHN 3:1-3 (KJV, J.B. PHILLIPS)

- What manner of love where has this love come from? What country or world? Agape (love) is from God.
- We are now God's children, not children of wrath.
- The world didn't recognize Him and doesn't recognize us.
- We don't know what we shall be in our glorified state. **ROMANS 8:18-19 (TPT)**
- He's going to appear to make us like Him (1 JOHN 4:17 TPT), 1 CORINTHIANS 15:51-55 TPT). Our present responsibility is to purify ourselves. The greatest motivation to holiness is to understand and comprehend the love of God, not to use threats or guilt.
- If we really love God, we won't want to break His heart in any way.

CONCLUSION:

ZEPHANIAH 3:17 (AMPC) God knew that by loving us unconditionally, many would respond to His love, love Him back, and be motivated to love others "even as" He loved us. He's now resting in the finished work of His love and rejoicing over every person who responds to His great love.