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BATTLE CRY 2021

2 CHRONICLES 20:21

HIS LOVE

ENDURES FOREVER

Is a
Weapon of Warfare

Love

We love because
he first loved us.

1 JOHN 4:19

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WHEN I WAS A CHILD, I TALKED LIKE A CHILD,
I THOUGHT LIKE A CHILD, I REASONED LIKE A CHILD.
WHEN I BECAME A MAN,
I PUT CHILDISH WAYS BEHIND ME.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:11

**CHRIST-LIKE MANHOOD
IS DEFINED BY
MAN'S EMPOWERED ABILITY
To Give & Receive
LOVE**

SCOTT CAESAR, MEN'S PASTOR

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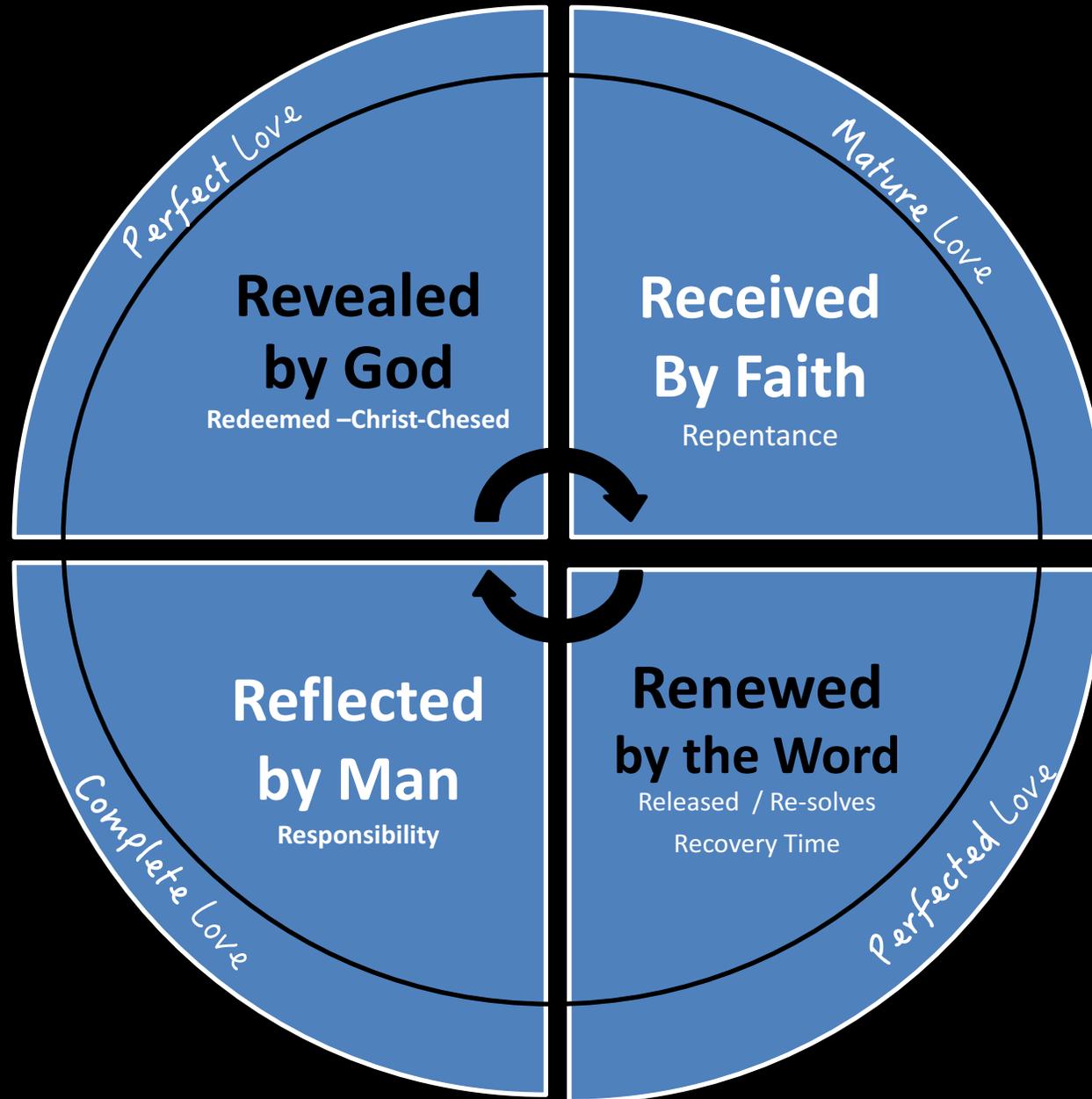
Last week: Questions Men Ask

What does **Perfect Love** look like in me?

When is it strong enough to conquer my fears?

How do I know if love is being **perfected** in me?

God's Perfect Love
1 John 4:18



THE ONE WORD
THAT WILL
CHANGE
YOUR ENTIRE LIFE.

7 AM THURSDAY

*With Scott
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Chesed

Steadfast Love // Lovingkindness // Covenant Loyalty

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14 versions - 14 different

WORD FOR "LOVE"

Your Love is better than life. Psalm 63:3

Psalm 63:3

AMP Because Your loving-kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise You. 1

CEB My lips praise you because your faithful love is better than life itself! 73% difference 2

CEV Your love means more than life to me, and I praise you. 60% difference 3

ESV Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. 35% difference 4

GW My lips will praise you because your mercy is better than life [itself]. 74% difference 5

GNB Your constant love is better than life itself, and so I will praise you. 50% difference 6

HCSB My lips will glorify You because Your faithful love is better than life. 60% difference

KJV 1900 Because thy lovingkindness is better than life, My lips shall praise thee. 33% difference

THE LIVING BIBLE for your love and kindness are better to me than life itself. How I praise you! 71% difference 7

THE MESSAGE In your generous love I am really living at last! My lips brim praises like fountains. 88% difference 8

NAS Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, My lips will praise You. 27% difference

NCV Because your love is better than life, I will praise you. 45% difference

NIRV Your love is better than life. I will bring glory to you with my lips. 52% difference

NIV Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. 40% difference

NKJV Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, My lips shall praise You. 20% difference

NLT Your unfailing love is better than life itself; how I praise you! 60% difference 9

NRSV Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. 35% difference

Tender 10
Enduring 11
everlast 12
loyal - 13
Relentless - 14

C.ovenant Love

H.umble Love

E.nduring Love

S.teadfast Love

E.xplosive Love

D.ivine Love

God's Covenant is a
relationship of love and
law of how God
relates to his people.

**COVENANT IS AN
AGREEMENT MORE
BINDING
THAN
ANY CONTRACT**

**YET MORE
LOVING THAN
ANY
HUMAN EMOTION.**

**IT IS A STUNNING
BLEND OF LAW
AND LOVE, OF DUTY
AND DELIGHT.**

Three Types of Relationships

1-Consumer Relationship

Purchases / Business Partners — As long as you serve my goals & significance - **Value-based**

2-Conditional Relationship

If you meet my needs , I will meet your needs, till you stop - **Needs-based**

3-Covenant Relationship

I am committed to the unity & oneness of the relationship regardless of the circumstances - **Bible -Based**

Covenant Love

Conditional Love

Supernatural - God-given

Natural / Carnal - man's effort

Thought-based A choice

Feelings based

Goal: Pleasure of another

Goal: Pleasure of self

Sex: An Expression of Love

Sex: An Expression of Lust

Oneness: Unity-Us

Separate-individual-Competition-me

Needs: Submission based

**Needs: If you meet mine? Then...
I will meet your needs**

Divorce is not an option* (mind set)

Divorce is an option* (mind set)

Love: expected as a standard who/what we are

Love: what I have to do until something better meets needs

Time period: Forever

Time: For as long as it feels good

Secure / Satisfied

Insecure / Anxious

Grace-Driven

Performance-Driven

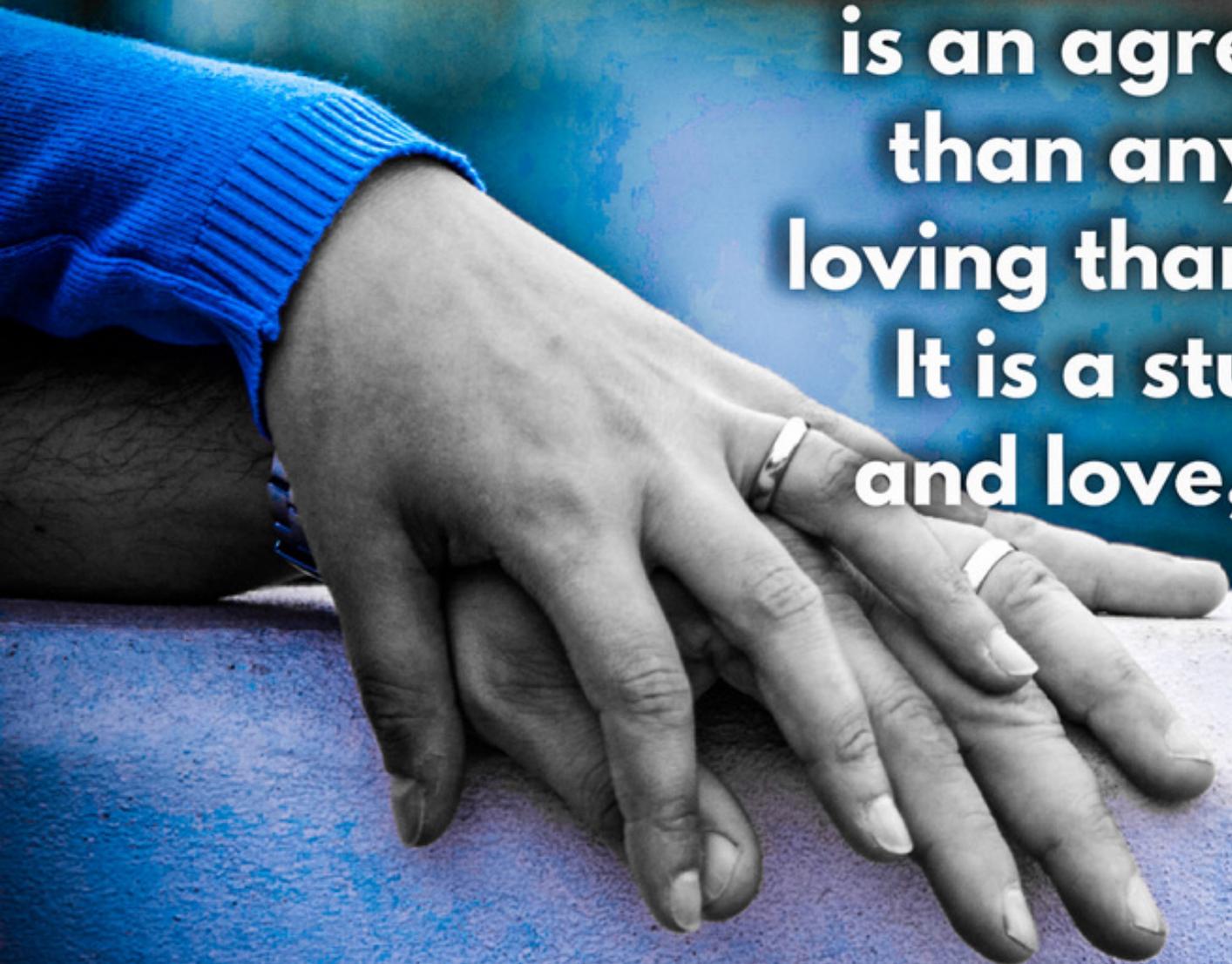
God is ESH OKLAH, EL KANNA "Consuming Fire, Jealous God". Exodus 34:14.

God is *jealous* over his chosen sons. He is strongly passionate against anything that risks His love becoming extinct in a man's life

Re: Exodus 34:14

Covenant Love

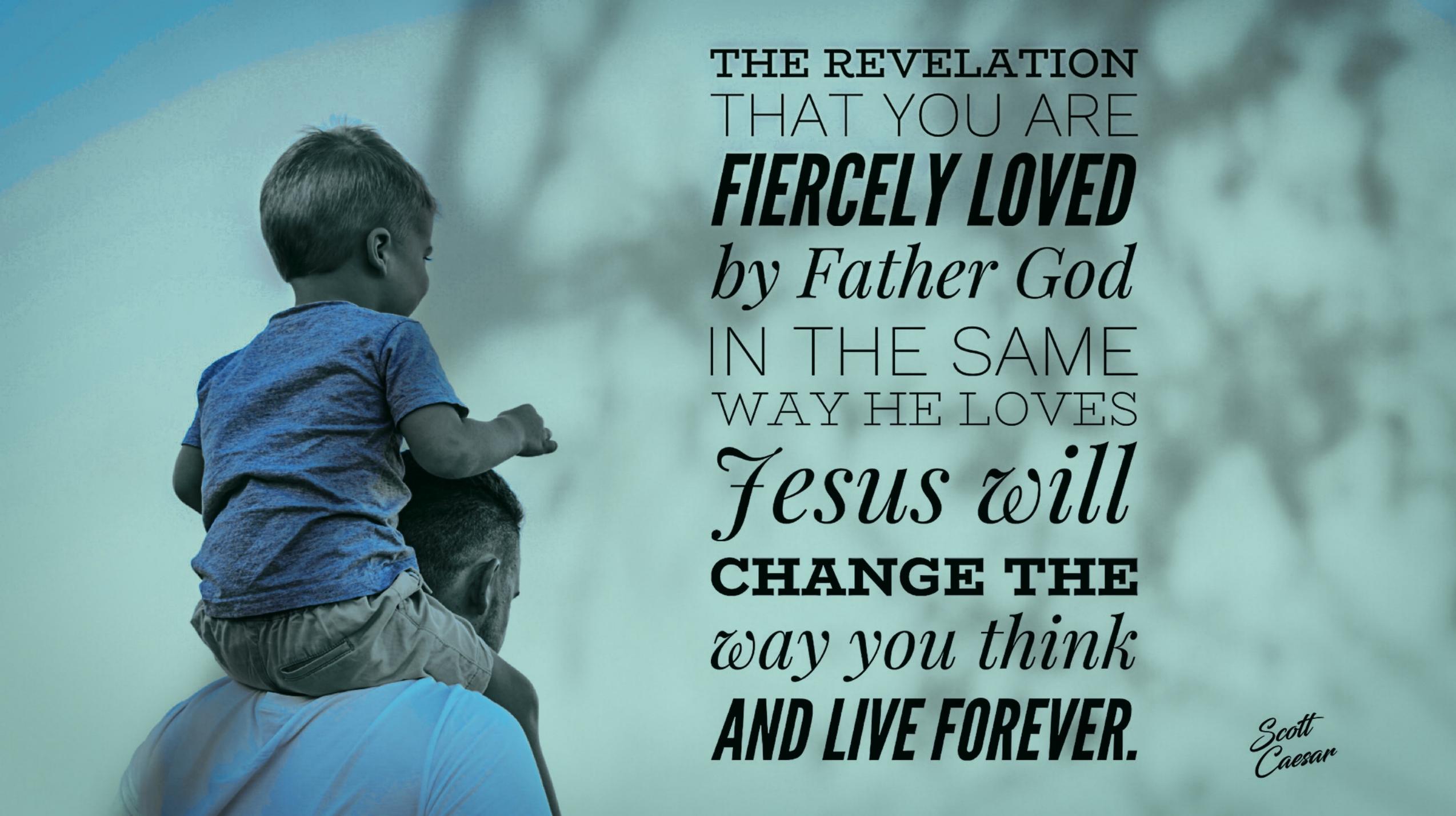
**is an agreement more binding
than any contract, yet more
loving than any human emotion.
It is a stunning blend of law
and love, of duty and delight.**



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A young child with short hair, wearing a blue t-shirt and khaki shorts, is sitting on the shoulders of a man. They are both looking out over a bright, hazy landscape. The child is on the left side of the frame, and the man's head and shoulders are visible behind them. The background is a soft, out-of-focus scene of trees and a bright sky, suggesting a park or a similar outdoor setting. The overall tone is peaceful and hopeful.

THE REVELATION
THAT YOU ARE
FIERCELY LOVED
by Father God
IN THE SAME
WAY HE LOVES
Jesus will
CHANGE THE
way you think
AND LIVE FOREVER.

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After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.”² But Abram said, “Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?”³ And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”⁴ Then the word of the LORD came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.”⁵ He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring^[d] be.”⁶ Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

⁷ He also said to him, “I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it.”⁸ But Abram said, “Sovereign LORD, *how can I know that I will gain possession of it?*”⁹ So the LORD said to him, “Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon.” **Genesis 15:1-18a**

By oppression and judgment he was taken away.
Yet who of cut off his generation protested?
For he was from the land of the living; for the
transgression of my people he was punished.

Isaiah 53:8 NIV

“How can I be sure”

Genesis 15:8 - Abraham



⁹ Carefully follow the terms of this covenant, so that you may prosper in everything you do. ¹⁰ All of you are standing today in the presence of the LORD your God—your leaders and chief men, your elders and officials, and all the other men of Israel, ¹¹ together with your children and your wives, and the foreigners living in your camps who chop your wood and carry your water. ¹² You are standing here in order to enter into a covenant with the LORD your God, a covenant the LORD is making with you this day and sealing with an oath, ¹³ to confirm you this day as his people, that he may be your God as he promised you and as he swore to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. ¹⁴ I am making this covenant, with its oath, not only with you ¹⁵ who are standing here with us today in the presence of the LORD our God but also with those who are not here today.

Deuteronomy 29:9-15 NIV

So Abraham waited patiently in faith and succeeded in seeing the promise fulfilled.¹⁶ It is very common for people to swear an oath by something greater than themselves, for the oath will confirm their statements and end all dispute.¹⁷ So in the same way, God wanted to **end all doubt** and confirm it even more forcefully to those who **would inherit his promises**. His purpose was **unchangeable**, so God added his vow to the promise.

Hebrews 6:15-17 - TPT

And this hope is not a disappointing fantasy, because we can now experience the endless love of God cascading into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who lives in us!

Start this week with covenant story of Abraham or Bernard
Maybe title "When we become a man"

HUMBLE LOVE

My
Father

God

1Co 13:4-11 NLT

God

4 Love is patient and kind. Love is not
jealous or boastful or proud 5 or rude. He
does not demand his own way. He is not
irritable, and He keeps no record of being
wronged. 6 He does not rejoice about in-
justice but rejoices whenever the truth
wins out. 7 He never gives up, never
loses faith, is always hopeful, and en-
dures through every circumstance.

ROMANS 5:1–5 ESV

ROMANS

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

3 Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,

4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,

5 and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.