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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 63

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by providing **His personal** love to you. **John 16:27**, "*No, the Father Himself loves you because you have loved Me and have believed that I came from God.*"

The personal love of God is a picture of God Himself, loving you. Now I want you to think about that very fact for a moment. Let this truth from scripture pour over your soul and sink into your heart. God Himself loves you. Not only did He make you. Not only did He save you. Not only did He commission you. God Himself loves you. When we hear that God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, we might be tempted to think that God's love is a sweeping love that generally covers everyone (and it does). But what Jesus speaks in this verse is a very personal statement. He was saying, not only does God love the world, He loves you in a very personal and intimate way.

The Greek word for Himself in this passage is *autos* which is an intensive pronoun, emphatic in nature. In other words, it is carrying a high value of the giver. God wants you to know that He loves you **personally**. He knows you, He made you, He paid for you, He forgave you, all because He loves you! When you read about Him in His word, remember that He is speaking directly to you because He loves you. When you listen to His voice, He is speaking to you because He loves you. Everything in all of creation cries out that God loves you. The Father Himself loves you.

Have you allowed yourself to realize that you are that valuable to Him? He made the greatest sacrifice that anyone could ever make because of His love for you. As I have said before on multiple occasions; God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you. He really does. Please don't forget that today.

Dear Father, Your love for me is great. It is pure. It is complete. Help me to realize how personal Your love for me is. I know I don't deserve it by any means. I have let you down so many times. I have failed You, and yet you still love me. Thank You LORD. In Jesus Name, Amen