

# God is Love

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1 John 4:16 - God is love

It is a love so great that he would live, forgive, die for us

When we love other with the same kind of intensity that he loves on us, lives will be transformed

When we know his love and when we show his love

Ephesians 3:17-19

Water - h<sub>2</sub>o

Can also exist as a solid as ice

If we know this - is it knowledge going to help us

Paul v19 we should know this love, experience it

To know - how Long, deep, high, wide gods love is for us

4 dimensions of God love for us

Gods love is:

- wide. Jesus died because he loves sinners
- long. Continues for the entire length of our life. Psalm 103:7
- high. Psalms 103:11 can't be measured
- deep. Reached the very depth of our being. Psalm 42:7

Gods love is individual

We are not a stranger to God and he knows our needs

1 John - particularly chapters 3 & 4

1 John 3:16

1 John 3:11

1 John 3:18

1 John 3:23

1 John 4:7-12

1 John 4:19 we live because He first loved us

Gods love is active

The greatest act of love is by laying down our lives for one another. Without any thought of getting anything back in return

God is the source of our love

Jesus is the example of what it means to love

The Holy Spirit gives us the power to love

We are not saved "by good works" but "for good works"

It is about being and demonstrating the love of God to others

"I am a little pencil in the hand of writing God, who is sending a love letter to the world." Mother Teresa

Let's be pencils in God's hand to write a love letter to this city of the Gold Coast this June.

