The Love of the Lord

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The love of the Lord transcends all human love. There is no comparison. To describe the love of the Lord would be an impossible task if it were not for the revelation of God's word. Even then, such a description of the love of the Lord as man can give is inadequate. Maybe in a small way we can say some things about the magnitude of this love that will help us to get a vague understanding of its dimensions.

- The love of God is broad. "God so loved the world." Not just the white man, but the black, the yellow, the red, and the brown man. Not just the English speaking people, but the people of all nationalities. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." Our Lord loved all and died for all. "And who would have all men to be saved, and to come to a knowledge of the truth." This within itself surpasses human love. But this is just a beginning of the wonders of such a love.
- The love of the Lord is as long as time and eternity. "Love never faileth." God's love for his creature, man, never faileth, and man's love for God should not fail. Yes, the love of the Lord is surviving, and excelling. "Now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity (love)" (1 Cor. 13:13).
- The love of our Savior reaches down to the "chief" of sinners. It is deep. It accepted poverty. "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich" (2 Cor 8:9). This love sacrificed personal enjoyment. "For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, 'The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me'" (Rom. 15:3).
- The height of the love of the Lord is astounding. It leads men out of sin and exalts them to heaven. It makes possible that man might inherit with him in that land that is fairer than day. "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne" (Rev. 3:21).
- The Lord's love is a providing love. It prepares and shares a place for mankind. "I go to prepare a place for you." What a love this is! "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:2-3).

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