

## **MONDAY AUGUST 9**

### **GOD'S LOVE** **Ephesians 3:18**

There can be no love greater than God's love. I sometimes wonder if it is even remotely possible to be able to fully grasp the length, width, height, and depth of His love. However, this is part of Paul's prayer in Ephesians 3:18. Whatever we are able to grasp of this must start with the desire to know and have that love dwelling within us. It is only as we understand and have the love that surpasses knowledge dwelling in us that we are filled with all the fullness of God (verse 19).

So what would be included in the entire dimension of His love for us to understand?

1. The breadth of God's love is boundless. There is no limit to what it can do or has the power to do. God demonstrated this by offering His Son upon the cross for all men's sins.
2. God's love is endless (the length of it). His love started with creation...a love and desire for fellowship with man and that love and desire continues. His love is for all mankind. He may hate the sin but His love is great for the sinner.
3. God's love is exhaustless/fathomless (the depth of it). It never runs out or grows weary but is as strong and steady as it has always been or ever will be. It is unchanging.
4. His love is measureless (the height of it). It goes beyond the reach of any foe. It encompasses the universe, all time, and all eternity. It has the power to reach down to the depths of sin and lift one out from its pit and chains.

As the vastness of this love begins to invade our being and understanding, it continues to do its work within us. The result of its work is not just to remain within but to spill and pour out to others. That in turn should result in the multiplication process of Christ's love spreading and working in others as well. As long as we continue to allow God's love to work in and through us; the length, width, height, and depth of that love cannot separate us from Him. (Romans 8:39) We give praise for that and our prayer is that you will allow the vastness of that love to complete its work within each of you.