

# Voice of God's Love

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## I. The everlasting love of God. (Jeremiah 31:3)

### A. The world is a lost world.

1. This is in the sense that if a province would secede from the national government and elect its own then it would be lost to that nation.

2. Creation is under bondage and is groaning in pain. (Romans 8, Ecclesiastes)

3. Worse than this, the human race is lost in the sense that it does not know where it is.

a. Just when we are ready to live, we die.

b. This does not seem reasonable.

1) So much ability goes to the grave. (Beethoven, Einstein)

2) So many seem to be living at the top of the world, but are struggling intensely.

c. Something has happened to the human race - it is not reasonable that God would create such a people only to die in the grave.

### B. The voice of God almighty is the voice of God's love towards the world.

1. The Scripture says that God is love.

2. God even loves Himself with a holy and blameless love.

3. The three Persons of the Trinity can love each other.

4. God loves everything for His own sake.

## II. God loves His creation.

### A. Creation itself will be delivered by this love.

1. All creation is loved by God and will be restored by Jesus - he died for everything that surrounds men, not just men.

2. The mess that we are in now is a result of sin.

3. Man is a fallen relic of God's image.

### B. God loves man because He sees in him His own image.

1. God's love is everlasting, but the object of His love may not be everlasting.
  - a. The devil is no longer loved by God because there is nothing any longer there for His love to light on.
  - b. In spite of how bad some men are, there is still something in men for the love of God to light on.
  - c. When the devil came he found nothing in Jesus like Him. (John)
  - d. On the opposite note, God will not be able to find anything in man that is like Him for some.
2. God loves us for His own sake - not for what we are, but because of what He is.
  - a. God loves us not for any reason within us.
  - b. The Israelites were an unlovely people.
  - c. God is not responsible to anybody.
    - 1) God loves us because He loves us.
    - 2) We are elevated in our hearts to know that He does, and this is enough.

### III. The voice of God's love is calling us to consider Him and turn to Him.

#### A. A hymn on the hidden love of God.

1. God's love is hidden under the dust of civilization.
2. It is unfathomable.
3. Religion ought to be inward - we ought to sigh inwardly for His love.

#### B. We will never find rest until we find it in God.

1. His voice calls us back for hope and expectation for the future.
2. God is calling you now.
3. We ought to take Christ seriously and Christianity seriously.
4. We ought to invite people to Sunday services.

**Application questions.**

1. What does it mean that the world is lost? In what way is mankind lost?

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2. How is it that God loves us for His own sake? Explain why the speaker claims that the love of God is not based upon His children's merits?

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3. God's love, it would seem, has been hidden under the dust of civilization. How does the speaker seem to think one can experience God's love? How can you experience this unfathomable grace?

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