

Lesson 2

Motivated by the Love of God

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VIDEO OUTLINE

Note: All scriptures used in this lesson are quoted from the *New King James Version*.

- I. When we have relationship with God, it's not about how much you and I love God, but it's about receiving how much He loves us.
 - A. If we can let God love us, then we start to push all the barriers and excuses out of our lives.
 - B. God's love for us gives us an attitude of faith.
 - C. God heals my body because He loves me. He's not against me, not punishing me, not disappointed with me, and He did not put this sickness on me.
 - D. God's promises are not dependent upon us. They're dependent on the truth that He has done the finished work.

For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.

2 Corinthians 1:20

- II. This revelation of God's love is so important, because out of the overflow of our relationship with God, we realize that God doesn't just love us—God loves others. Then we start to be moved with compassion.
 - A. Every time that Jesus was moved with compassion, miracles followed.
 - B. The love of God is moved to action. Jesus was moved with compassion; the love of God moved Him to reach out, to touch, and to step out in boldness.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

- C. When you feel the love of God, it moves you to action.
- III. Step out of your comfort zone and look for opportunities to minister.
- A. People will talk about their sickness.
 - B. When you start speaking words of life and speaking with boldness, people will look at you. But there's something in their eyes that indicates they want you to tell them more, or they wonder if it could be for them.
- IV. Praying for other people is not about you. It's not about how righteous, worthy, or spiritual you feel. Being able to pray for people is not dependent upon you.
- A. Praying for others is about tapping into the love of God and saying, "Let me tell you how God sees you. Let me tell you what God has done for you. Let me tell you the promises that belong to you because of His love toward you."
 - B. The faith we tap into is the Word of God and the love of God: He came and gave Himself so that we could have everlasting life.
 - C. We put so many limitations on our physical bodies and our physical abilities, and we limit the power of God.

Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:6

- V. Our relationship with God and the Spirit of God will continue to do a good work inside us and teach us to be bold and pray for the sick. We will start to be confident.
- A. This is about God and the releasing of His kingdom.
 - B. You are the beloved of God. This love will abound more and more, and not just abound as far as revelation and discernment within you. It will impact how you do things, how you live, and how you interact with people.
 - C. The love of God will abound out of you toward your family, your circle around you, and out of that circle to perfect strangers.

For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died.

2 Corinthians 5:14

- D. The movement of God's love out of you is going to look so abnormal to this world. You need to care more about what God thinks than what anybody else does.
- E. I agree with what God says about me. That's my new identity.
- F. God's calling us to be light, salt, seed, and to produce a miracle that could set all of them free, but we're more worried about their opinion of us than setting them free. This is a tactic of the enemy.
- G. You are a new creation in Christ Jesus. That means your old way of thinking doesn't have to define you anymore.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

- VI. As the work of God's love inside of you motivates you to step out in boldness and faith, you will tap into the Holy Spirit. You'll step out with discernment. You can hear and know what to pray, how to pray it, and when to pray it.
 - A. This discernment of God comes from tapping into His love for people. You tap into His heart for them. You start hearing His will and His purposes for their lives. You're not only praying for them to get healed; you're speaking prophetically into their lives.

That you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ.

Philippians 1:10

- B. You'll see signs and wonders and miracles because God loves them. God loves the people who came in faith, ready to receive miracles.

VII. Our hearts and motivations are very important.

- A. I want to be moved with compassion so that when I reach out, it's because I want to reveal who God is to them. In revealing His love to them, I'm going to confess life, healing, prosperity, and any miracles that they need.

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but faith working through love.

Galatians 5:6

- B. This revelation about God's love caused faith to rise within my heart. Not a faith that I tried to work up myself. It was a faith that was grounded in the truth that God is good and His love is uncompromising, consistent, and has finished the work.

Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.

1 Peter 2:24

- C. God loves you, and He is good all the time. He only has good things for you. As you begin to minister the love of God, it begins to activate hope inside of people.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:11

- D. As you receive this love of God in your own relationship with Him, it starts to abound in you, and it starts to work within you. Then when you start looking at people, you begin to be compelled and moved with the love of Christ.
- E. As you minister God's love, it will stir up faith inside of others. Faith in His love for them will overcome every sickness or attack that the enemy would bring.

For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

1 John 5:4
