

"Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" <sup>29</sup> "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this.... <sup>30</sup> Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." Mark 12:28-30 (NIV)

The only letter (of recommendation) I need is you! By looking at the change in your hearts.... <sup>3</sup> They can see that you are a letter from Christ...

**2 Corinthians 3:2, 3** (LB)

Test yourselves to make sure you are solid in the faith. Don't drift along taking everything for granted. Give yourselves regular checkups. You need firsthand evidence... that Jesus Christ is in you. Test it out. If you fail the test, do something about it. 2 Corinthians 13:5

## ? WHAT WILL I LOOK LIKE WHEN I AM LOVING GOD WITH ALL MY HEART?

1. WHEN I LOVE GOD LIKE THIS, I WILL LOOK \_\_\_\_\_\_.

We love Him, because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19 (KJV)

He is a God who is passionate about His relationship with you.

**Exodus 34:14b** (NLT)

I don't want your sacrifices -- I want your <u>love</u>! I don't want your offerings -- I want you to <u>know</u> Me! **Hosea 6:6** (LB)

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My Love for God is...

Ritual - 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 - Relationship

- 2. WHEN I LOVE GOD LIKE THIS, I WILL LOOK \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - Radical: Comprehensive or extreme (adj.)
  - Radicalist: a person who holds strong convictions or extreme principles (noun)

Those who love their father or mother more than me are not fit to be my disciples; those who love their son or daughter more than me are not fit to be my disciples. <sup>38</sup> Those who do not take up their cross and follow in my steps are not fit to be my disciples. <sup>39</sup> Those who try to gain their own life will lose it; but those who lose their life for my sake will gain it. **Matthew 10:37-40** (GNT)

If I acted crazy, I did it for God; if I acted overly serious, I did it for you. Christ's love has moved me to <u>such extremes</u>. His love has the first and last word in everything we do. **2 Corinthians 5:14** (MP)

My Love for God is...

Reluctant - 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 - Radical

3. WHEN I LOVE GOD LIKE THIS, I WILL LOOK \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus said to his disciples: If you love me, you will do as I command.

John 14:15 (CEV)

Anyone who says, "I know him," but isn't obeying his commands is a liar — the truth is not in him. <sup>5</sup> But if someone keeps doing what he says, then truly love for God has been brought to its goal in him. **1 John 2:4, 5** (CJB)

To love God means that we obey his commandments. 1 John 5:3 (GW)

"The day will come when I will make a new agreement with the people of Israel... <sup>9</sup> This new agreement will not be like the old one... <sup>10</sup> This is the new agreement I will make...says the Lord: I will write my laws in their minds so that they will know what I want them to do without my even telling them, and these laws will be in their hearts so that they will want to obey them, and I will be their God and they shall be my people. <sup>11</sup> And no one then will need to speak to his friend or neighbor or brother, saying, 'You, too, should know the Lord,' because everyone, great and small, will know me already. <sup>12</sup> And I will be merciful to them in their wrongdoings, and I will remember their sins no more." Hebrews 8: 8 - 12 (LB)

My Love for God is ...

Rebellious - 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 - Responsive

Another Word for this Radical, Relational, Responsive purpose is

Beloved friends, what should be our proper response to God's marvelous mercies? I encourage you to surrender yourselves to God to be his sacred, living sacrifices. And live in holiness, experiencing all that delights his heart. For this becomes your genuine expression of worship. Romans 12:1 (TPT)