



## The Mystery of Love

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### Introduction:

We can start seeing the world around us the way God wanted us to see it in the first place.

Jesus came to correct every violation of love.

When we look at the mystery of love, we look at Jesus.

- He had a connection to the Father unlike anyone else ever did.
- He could see the Father's original heartbeat for the \_\_\_\_\_ around Him.
- He spent time with people that would have even been considered illegal at the time.
  - Example: The Samaritan woman—Jesus saw value in her, even though she
    - ◇ had several husbands in her life.
    - ◇ was a Samaritan woman who it was illegal to spend time with.
- Jesus recognized the value of people
- Jesus valued them with His time.
- See Colossians 1:15

There's something special about how Jesus saw and treated the people in the world around Him that is an example to us of how we can be. The mystery of His love is the place where we \_\_\_\_\_ to God's original intended purpose and plan on the earth.

Jesus saw in the disciples something that nobody else saw, and He treated them with a certain virtue and belief system that caused them to rise up from these normal human beings who had less education than most people around them, and become some of the greatest leaders in history. We also are to see the gold inside of people. Who is this person inside of God's heart?

Shawn tells the story of how he helped initiate God into a young prostitute's life and she in turn received her destiny.

This great mystery of God's love is so amazing because once you understand that God has this incredible plan and purpose of connecting for today and all eternity, you begin to become something inside—you start to \_\_\_\_\_ yourself in a different light. It's reading the Bible, receiving answered prayer, communing with God in this way that you start to get revelation about who God is, and about who you are. You're not limited anymore. When you treat the world around you this way, they begin to see in themselves something different. They start to change with the value of your love!

Jesus' inheritance was humanity.

- The Father gave Him a calling and a purpose and it was for us.
- When we understand that, we can see humanity differently.
- We become restored to full identity and purpose.

Identity is a huge thing!

- When we develop relationship with God and get \_\_\_\_\_ about that relationship, we get our identity set.
- When you don't have identity, you have insecurity of purpose and calling; you feel like you're delineating from your true self and are deformed inside.
- When you know you're identity, you feel like you're living in the full intention of God.
  - You're living the most connected version of life. You're connected to yourself, to the world around you and you're connected to God.
  - This is how He made you—to be the most connected version of yourself.

Ephesians 1:17

"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better."

When we see Jesus, we start to see ourselves

- As co-heirs
- As sons and daughters

We start to see what the Father's really like.

"You don't need anybody to teach you, you have an anointing that's yours to teach you all things" (1 John 2:20).

- The Holy Spirit will come and teach you all things about the Father.
- Why do we need Him to come and tell us these things?

- Because He coaches us.
  - He's the best connector to the truth of God in us.
  - As we grow in the mystery of love we begin to grow in our relationship with the Holy Spirit who connects us to the very thoughts and intentions of God's heart for us right now.
  - We're not separate from those thoughts; they actually live within us as we have a life in God.
  - Then you begin to see yourself in the light of that love; you become the revelation.

1 Corinthians 2 is an amazing chapter and it ends with "we have the mind of Christ."

- We are connected to the deepest thought processes of the Father.
- Humanity is the deepest part of the Father.
  - What He originally thought about us
  - What he wants for us and from us now
  - He's not concerned with who you're not, it's who you are.
  - He's not looking at what we aren't doing; He's looking at what we are doing.
  - The Holy Spirit hovers over those areas of our life.
- We love to be known and God loves to be known by us.
  - We love to know things—that comes from a desire that God has to be known.
  - God is obsessed with us.
  - Through revelation we begin to see what's in His current heart.
  - You can have revelation of God's heart right now for you and for those around you.
  - The Word and the Spirit are meant to work together.
- Once you get plugged into the mind and heart of God, you feel wired in, and don't want it to end.

This is your destiny—to know Him and be known by Him. This is what we were made for.

God gave us this great command series:

1. Love God with all your heart
2. Love your neighbor
3. Love yourself (love who God made you to be)

Jesus treated everyone as though they were qualified—even when they weren't qualified.

Activation prayer:

- Ask God what is something you created me to do both here and in eternity that would give me the most fulfillment?
- What is the thing you most love about me?

Take the 30 day listening prayer challenge. You will begin to know His voice of love more and more. And as you do, you will be more confident to hear for others, too!