

Date: July 25, 2021
Message: "LOVE'S HIGHEST DEMONSTRATION"
Text: Romans 5:6-11
Speaker: Pastor Steve Balvanz

"How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure; that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure."

"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (v.8)

I. Our _____

"Until sin is bitter, Christ cannot be sweet." (Thomas Watson)

- Helpless (v.6)
- Ungodly (v.6)
- Sinners (v.8)
- Objects of wrath (v.9)
- Enemies (v.10)

(Eph. 2:1; Rom. 8:7)

II. Christ's _____ (v.6-8)

- Christ died for the ungodly (v.6)...for us (v.8)

We _____, God _____, Christ _____!

(1 Cor. 15:3; Jn. 10:11; 15:13; 1 Jn. 3:16)

III. God's _____ (v.8)

Verse 8 is a watershed verse for the unconditional love of God.

"If God loved us because we loved Him, He would love us only so long as we love Him, and on that condition; and then our salvation would depend on the constancy of our treacherous hearts. But as God loved us as sinners, as Christ died for us as ungodly, our salvation depends, as the apostle argues, not on our loveliness, but on the constancy of the love of God." (Charles Hodge)

(Deut. 7:6-8)

Date: July 25, 2021
Message: "LOVE'S HIGHEST DEMONSTRATION"
Text: Romans 5:6-11
Speaker: Pastor Steve Balvanz

"How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure; that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure."

"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (v.8)

I. Our _____

"Until sin is bitter, Christ cannot be sweet." (Thomas Watson)

- Helpless (v.6)
- Ungodly (v.6)
- Sinners (v.8)
- Objects of wrath (v.9)
- Enemies (v.10)

(Eph. 2:1; Rom. 8:7)

II. Christ's _____ (v.6-8)

- Christ died for the ungodly (v.6)...for us (v.8)

We _____, God _____, Christ _____!

(1 Cor. 15:3; Jn. 10:11; 15:13; 1 Jn. 3:16)

III. God's _____ (v.8)

Verse 8 is a watershed verse for the unconditional love of God.

"If God loved us because we loved Him, He would love us only so long as we love Him, and on that condition; and then our salvation would depend on the constancy of our treacherous hearts. But as God loved us as sinners, as Christ died for us as ungodly, our salvation depends, as the apostle argues, not on our loveliness, but on the constancy of the love of God." (Charles Hodge)

(Deut. 7:6-8)

IV. The Glorious _____ (v.9-10)

- Justified by His blood
- Saved from the wrath of God
- Reconciled to God
- Secure

"If the dying Savior reconciled us to God, surely the living Savior can and will keep us reconciled. The thrust of this truth for believers is that our Savior not only delivers us from sin and its judgment, but also delivers us from uncertainty and doubt about that deliverance. If God has already made sure our rescue from sin, death, and future judgment, how could our present spiritual life possibly be in jeopardy? How can a Christian, whose past and future salvation are secured by God, be insecure during the time between?" (John MacArthur)

(2 Cor. 5:18-19, 21; 1 Jn. 2:2; 1 Thess. 1:10)

V. The Ultimate _____ (v.11)

"...we also exalt in God through our Lord Jesus Christ..." (v.11)

The love of God for sinners is ultimately demonstrated for the glory of Himself!

(Eph. 1:4-6,12,14)

IV. The Glorious _____ (v.9-10)

- Justified by His blood
- Saved from the wrath of God
- Reconciled to God
- Secure

"If the dying Savior reconciled us to God, surely the living Savior can and will keep us reconciled. The thrust of this truth for believers is that our Savior not only delivers us from sin and its judgment, but also delivers us from uncertainty and doubt about that deliverance. If God has already made sure our rescue from sin, death, and future judgment, how could our present spiritual life possibly be in jeopardy? How can a Christian, whose past and future salvation are secured by God, be insecure during the time between?" (John MacArthur)

(2 Cor. 5:18-19, 21; 1 Jn. 2:2; 1 Thess. 1:10)

V. The Ultimate _____ (v.11)

"...we also exalt in God through our Lord Jesus Christ..." (v.11)

The love of God for sinners is ultimately demonstrated for the glory of Himself!

(Eph. 1:4-6,12,14)