

GOD IS LOVE



*Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to
love one another. 1 John 4:11 ESV*

Song: Thine Forever, God of Love - *Mary F. Maude*

Thine forever, God of Love!
Hear us from Thy throne above;
Thine forever may we be,
Here and in eternity!

Thine forever! Oh how blest
They who find in Thee their rest!
Savior, Guardian, heavenly Friend
Oh, defend us to the end!

Thine forever, Lord of Life!
Shield us thro' our earthly strife,
Thou, the Life, the Truth, the Way,
Guide us to the realms of day.

Thine forever! Shepherd, keep
These Thy frail and trembling sheep.
Safe alone beneath Thy care,
Let us all Thy goodness share.

Thine forever! Thou our Guide,
All our wants by Thee supplied,
All our sins by Thee forgiven;
Lead us, Lord, from earth to heaven.

Leader: As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

All: These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

Leader: Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are My friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you.

All: You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

John 15:9-17 ESV

Song: My Jesus, I Love Thee - *William R. Featherstone*

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee, all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say, when the death dew lies cold on my brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
And singing Thy praises, before Thee I'll bow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Message

Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Song: You Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower - Johann Scheffler
Catherine Winkworth

You will I love, my Strength, my Tower;
You will I love, my Hope, my Joy;
You will I love with all my power,
With ardor time shall ne'er destroy.
You will I love, Oh Light Divine,
So long as life is mine.

You will I love, my Life, my Savior,
You are my best and truest Friend;
You will I love and praise forever,
For never shall Your kindness end;
You will I love with all my heart,
You my Redeemer are.

I thank You, Jesus, Sun from heaven,
Whose radiance has brought light to me;
I thank You, who have richly given,
All that could make me glad and free;
I thank You that my soul is healed,
By what Your lips revealed.

Oh, keep me watchful, then and humble,
And suffer me no more to stray;
Uphold me when my feet would stumble,
Nor let me loiter by the way.
Fill all my nature with Your light,
Oh Radiance strong and bright!

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26 ESV*