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< Messages

God

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Am I your first love????

Yes!!

No!!

Maybe . . .

Um. . . I'll have to think about it.



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1. God's Love For Us

GOD IS LOVE

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1 JOHN 4:9–10

God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him.

This is real love – not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. (NLT)

EPHESIANS 1:4–5

Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. (NLT)

✓ **Attended church**

✓ **Prayed**

✓ **Read my bible**

**THE
HEAD**



**THE
HEART**





2. Responding to God's

Love

"YOU will never understand my love,
if you keep looking to yourself all the time.

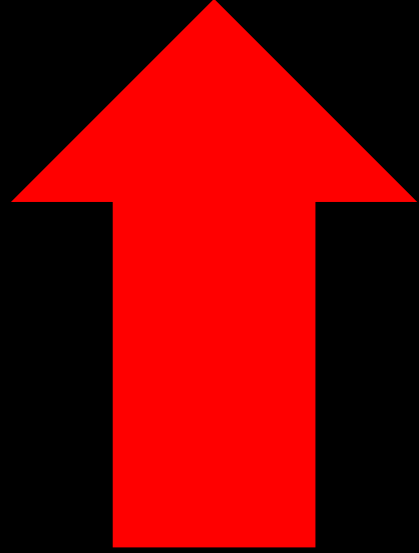
You need to focus your eyes and your
attention on me.

HAVE A LITTLE FAITH."

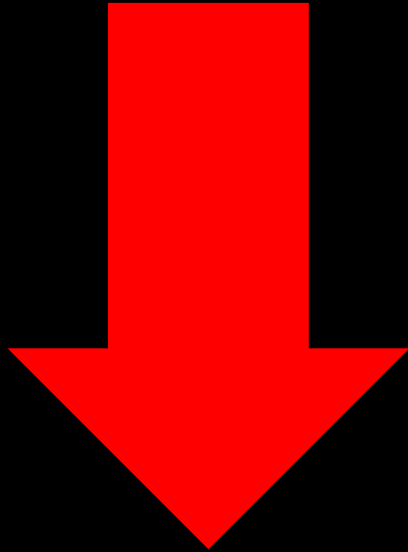
We are not saved because we deserve it.

We are saved because God is gracious.

He chose to freely give us salvation.



GOD



US

If you loved and valued a group of people so
much that you were willing to die for them
so they could enjoy their lives,
how would you feel if they refused your gift?



"The Lord your God is
WITH YOU,
the mighty Warrior
who saves. He will
TAKE GREAT DELIGHT IN YOU;
in his love he will no longer
rebuke you, but will
REJOICE OVER YOU WITH SINGING."

ZEPHANIAH 3:17



GOD IS PLEASED

WITH ME, AND

HE DELIGHTS

IN ME.

Change our mindset

Need to believe that God doesn't love us because

WE are good, but because **HE** is good!!

The Greatest Knowledge We Can Ever Have Is

Knowing God Treasures Us . . .

3. Giving Our Love to God

LUKE 10:38–42

As Jesus and the disciples continued on their way to Jerusalem, they came to a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. Her sister, Mary, sat at the Lord's feet, listening to what he taught. But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing. She came to Jesus and said,

LUKE 10:38–42

“Lord, doesn’t it seem unfair to you that my sister just sits here while I do all the work? Tell her to come and help me.” But the Lord said to her, “My dear Martha, you are worried and upset over all these details! There is only one thing worth being concerned about. Mary has discovered it, and it will not be taken away from her.” (NLT)

Martha

- ❑ Older sister of Mary and Lazarus
- ❑ Worried about details
- ❑ Wished to please and to serve
- ❑ Wanted to do all the right things
- ❑ Found it hard to relax and to enjoy her guests

Martha

- ❑ Found it hard to accept her sister's lack of cooperation
- ❑ Thought Mary's style of serving didn't meet the standards
- ❑ Focused her attention on the needs of her guests

Mary

- ❑ Sat at the feet of Jesus and listened to His teaching
- ❑ Let her older sister take care of the preparations
- ❑ Less fastidious about the details
- ❑ Focused her attention on the guests themselves

MARY

VS.

MARTHA

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MARTHA

JOHN 12:1–3

Six days before the Passover celebration began, Jesus arrived in Bethany, the home of Lazarus – the man he raised from the dead. A dinner was prepared in Jesus' honour. Martha served, and Lazarus was among those who ate [reclined] with him.

JOHN 12:1-3

Then Mary took a twelve-ounce jar of expensive perfume made from essence of nard, and she anointed Jesus' feet with it, wiping his feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance.

(NLT)

Similarities/Differences

Martha

- is still serving
- isn't grumbling
- is silent

Mary

- is at Jesus' feet
- washes his feet with perfume
- wipes his feet with her hair

When being a Martha . . .

- Don't get too focused on the details
- Don't lose sight of why you are serving in the first place
- Don't let your acts of service become self-serving
- Make sure you set priorities

When being a Mary . . .

- Don't forget to listen when God calls you to act
- Be obedient to God's calling
- Take action when he asks you to

**If we all strive to be 'Mary,' there
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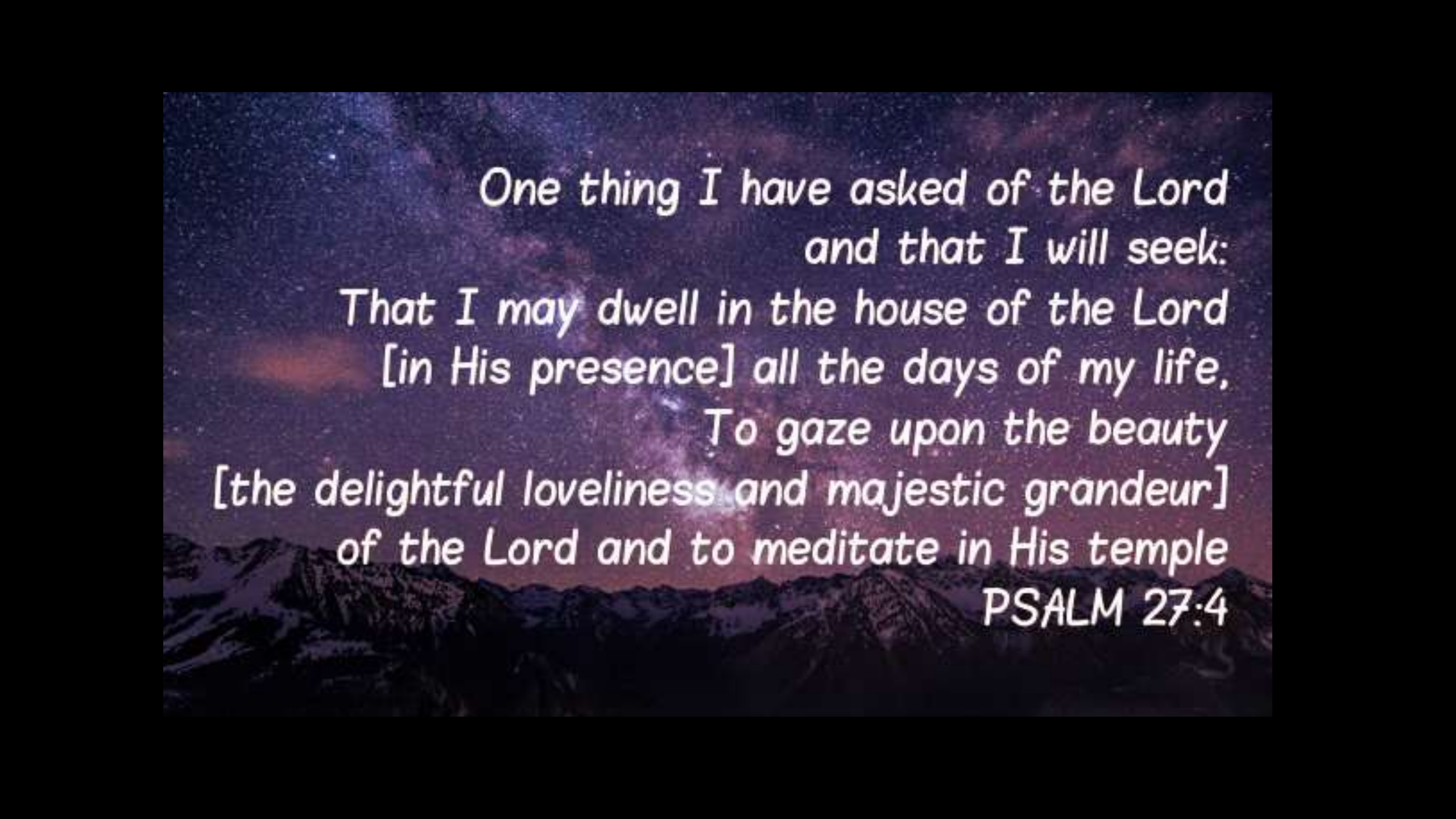
MARTH

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IF EVERYTHING IN YOUR LIFE WAS TAKEN AWAY,
WOULD YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD BE
ENOUGH?

IF YOU COULD ONLY ASK FOR ONE THING IN LIFE,
WHAT WOULD IT BE?

The background of the image is a night sky featuring the Milky Way galaxy, with a range of snow-capped mountains visible at the bottom. The text is overlaid on this scene in a white, monospace-style font.

One thing I have asked of the Lord
and that I will seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord
[in His presence] all the days of my life,
To gaze upon the beauty
[the delightful loveliness and majestic grandeur]
of the Lord and to meditate in His temple
PSALM 27:4



Song of Solomon 1:5

How beautiful you are my darling!

Oh, how beautiful!

Your eyes are like doves

Song of Solomon 5:12

His eyes sparkle like doves besides

springs of water;

They are set like jewels

DOVE EYES

The background is a light cream or off-white color, featuring a large, abstract watercolor splash. The splash is primarily composed of vibrant red and magenta hues, with some lighter, more diffused areas. There are also some smaller, darker blue and greyish-blue splatters scattered around the main red area, particularly on the left side. The overall effect is artistic and textured.

**RECAPTURING
OUR FIRST
LOVE**



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