



## EXPERIENCING GOD

# TEACHING SESSION 2

## REALITY 2

God \_\_\_\_\_ a continuing \_\_\_\_\_ relationship with you  
that is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Can you describe your relationship with God by sincerely saying, "I love You with all my heart"?

- Everything in your \_\_\_\_\_ life, everything about \_\_\_\_\_ Him  
and \_\_\_\_\_ Him, everything about \_\_\_\_\_ His will, depends  
on the \_\_\_\_\_ of your love relationship.
- A \_\_\_\_\_ relationship with \_\_\_\_\_ is more important  
than any other single \_\_\_\_\_ in your life.
- God created you for a \_\_\_\_\_ relationship that is \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_.
- The constant \_\_\_\_\_ of God is the most \_\_\_\_\_ part of your life  
and ministry.
- God \_\_\_\_\_ you not for \_\_\_\_\_ but for \_\_\_\_\_.
- Let your present be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ by what you  
are to become in \_\_\_\_\_, not by your \_\_\_\_\_.
- Your \_\_\_\_\_ is more important to God than what you do. God develops \_\_\_\_\_  
to match the \_\_\_\_\_.

## A Love Relationship

Read the following Scripture passages that speak of a love relationship. As you read, emphasize the word love (or any form of it, such as loves) by circling it each time it appears.

“I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, love the Lord your God, obey him, and remain faithful to him. For he is your life” (Deut. 30:19-20).

“God loved the world in this way: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life” (John 3:16).

“The one who has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. And the one who loves me will be loved by my Father. I also will love him and will reveal myself to him” (John 14:21).

“Who can separate us from the love of Christ? Can affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. [Neither] height nor depth, nor any other created thing will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Rom. 8:35,37,39).

“This is how we have come to know love: He laid down his life for us. We should also lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters” (1 John 3:16).

“God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his one and only Son into the world so that we might live through him. Love consists in this: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. We love because he first loved us” (1 John 4:9-10,19).

Using the preceding Scripture passages, answer the following questions.

1. Who is your life? \_\_\_\_\_

2. In what ways has God demonstrated His love for us? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. How can we show our love for God? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. What does God promise to do in response to our loving Him? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Who loved first—you or God? \_\_\_\_\_



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**GOD PURSUES A CONTINUING  
LOVE RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU  
THAT IS REAL AND PERSONAL.**

God pursues ...

“The Lord appeared to us in the past saying:  
‘I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
I have drawn you with loving-kindness’ ”  
(Jer. 31:3).

... a love relationship

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart  
and with all your soul and with all your mind.  
This is the first and greatest commandment”  
(Matt. 22:37-38).

Can you describe your relationship with  
God by sincerely saying, “I love You with  
all my heart”?



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- Everything in your Christian life, everything about knowing Him and experiencing Him, everything about knowing His will depends on the quality of your love relationship.
- A love relationship with God is more important than any other single factor in your life.
- God created you for a love relationship that is real and personal.
- God's constant presence is the most practical part of your life and ministry.
- God created you not for time but for eternity.
- Let your present be molded and shaped by what you are to become in Christ, not by your past.
- Your character is more important to God than what you do. God develops character to match the assignment.



# LOVE RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Know Him

Love Him

Believe Him

Trust Him

Obey Him

We are called to a love relationship before we  
are called to any form of ministry or service.  
The quality of my love relationship will determine  
the effectiveness of any kind of ministry.

Love Relationship = Usefulness to God