



Sermon Notes

The Way of Agape Part 6 – Refreshing Love December 27, 2020

Revelation 21:5

5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

God is always making things new.

God works on our behalf, and He wants us to know it - so we will be at rest and trust Him.

Isaiah 43:19

19 See, I am doing a new thing!

Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?

*I am making a way in the wilderness
and streams in the wasteland.*

Agape is a Greek word for God's perfect, unconditional love.

The highest form of love – it is selfless, sacrificial, and unconditional.

A perfect love that transcends our human capabilities and capacity.

1 John 4:16

16 And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.

God is love and love is God.

"I love you. I want you to know and rely on My love. I know your situation. I know your need. I know your hopes. I am always at work. I am always watching and listening. I am about to bring you refreshment. I am doing something new that will exceed your hopes. I want you to know that - and I want you to rest in that. Write it down so you won't forget."

God knows our tendency to give in to fear and dread.



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Isaiah 43:1-2

*1 But now, this is what the Lord says—
he who created you, Jacob,
he who formed you, Israel:*

*“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have summoned you by name; you are mine.*

*2 When you pass through the waters,
I will be with you;*

*and when you pass through the rivers,
they will not sweep over you.*

*When you walk through the fire,
you will not be burned;*

the flames will not set you ablaze.

God is the One who shaped who you are.

“I created you and know you best. I know you are going through a hard time right now, and you wonder whether you be able to make it through...But I want you to know you will not drown...you will not be burned...because I am with you. You are not stuck in this season. You will make it through.

And in the middle of it all, I am doing something new and wonderful. I want you to know that, rely on that, remember that, and stand in that.”

