



Sermon Notes

Season of Healing
May 28, 2023

God does not struggle with unfinished business.

God finishes what He starts.

Philippians 1:6

⁶ *being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.*

It would violate God's character for Him to not deliver on His promise.

God's love motivates Him in all He does!

Jeremiah 31:3

³ *... "I have loved you with an everlasting love;
I have drawn you with unfailing kindness.*

God loved me at my darkest!

God loves to finish what He starts in us.

Ephesians 2:10

¹⁰ *For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

The word 'workmanship' comes from the Greek word 'poiema' signifying a work of art created by an artisan. In English, we get the words *poem* and *poetry* from this word.

Isaiah 54:10

¹⁰ *Though the mountains be shaken
and the hills be removed,
yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken
nor my covenant of peace be removed,"
says the LORD, who has compassion on you.*



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Isaiah 54:10 The Message

*For even if the mountains walk away
and the hills fall to pieces,
My love won't walk away from you,
my covenant commitment of peace won't fall apart.
The God who has compassion on you says so.*

Romans 8:31-35, 37-39

³¹ What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?...

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Nothing can separate me from the love of God!

What do we do with God's love? Receive it.

Ephesians 3:17-19

¹⁷ ...I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

What could your life be if you were to live like you're loved?

Ephesians 5:1-2

¹ Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



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Lord, I believe You loved me in my darkest. I believe You drew me to Yourself and began a work in me that You have promised to finish. It was Your amazing love that compelled You to do all this. I confess my lack of belief that You really loved me that much. Now, I ask: Show me how to walk in the way of love. Show me how to be confident in this love, without any doubt. Show me how to be rooted and established in this love, and fill me to the measure of Your fullness. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

HEALING MANIFESTO

Lord, I commit to the following:

I will be real with You. That means admitting I'm not OK at times.

I will resist the urge to self-manage.

I will cooperate with Your work through obedience.

I will stop speaking negativity.

I will submit to Your process of removing the indelible stain of my sin and brokenness.

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