

Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

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THE CALL TO BE LOVED

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Ephesians 1:4-5 *"Long ago, even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This gave him great pleasure".*

1. The first purpose of my life is to be loved

☒ God didn't create you to do something; God created you to receive something.

☒ I was made to be a receiver of God's love.

Jude 1:1 "To those who have been called by God, who live in the love of God the Father and in the care of Jesus Christ."

2. The first calling of my life is to enjoy a relationship with God

Romans 1:7 *"Dear friends in Rome, God loves you dearly, and he has called you to be his very own people."*

3. That relationship is to be His son or daughter.

1 John 3:1 *"What an incredible quality of love the Father has shown to us, that we should be named and called and counted the children of God! And so we are!"* (amplified)

Ephesians 3:17 *"I pray that Christ will be more and more at home in your hearts as you trust in him. May your roots go down deep into the soil of God's marvelous love; and may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love really is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is so great you will never fully understand it."*

Q: How wide is God's love?

A: It's wide enough to be everywhere

Q: How long is God's love?

A: It's long enough to last forever

Q: How deep is God's love?

A: It's deep enough to handle anything.

Q: How high is God's love?

A: It is high enough to overlook my sins.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I STAY AWARE OF GOD'S CONSTANT LOVE FOR ME?

1. I feel accepted rather than ashamed

Romans 5:1 *"By faith we have been made acceptable by God. And now, because of our Lord Jesus Christ, we live in peace with him."*

Romans 8:33-34 *"If God says his chosen ones are acceptable to him, can anybody bring charges against him? The answer is no. Or can anybody condemn them? No indeed!" (CEV)*

2. I am bold in bringing my needs to God.

Romans 8:14-16 *"All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God! So, you should not be cowering, fearful slaves. You should behave instead like God's very own children, adopted into his family—calling him 'Father, dear Father.'"*

Romans 8:17 *"And since we are his children, we will share in his treasures for everything God gives to his Son, Christ, is ours too."*

Hebrews 4:16 *So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.*

3. I have peace in pain that I don't understand.

Philippians 4:7 *"The peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."*

4. I gain the courage to take risks

1 John 4:18 *"There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out all fear." (NIV)*

5. I worship instead of worry.

Rom. 6:13 *"Give yourselves completely to God since you have been given new life."*