

ESSENTIALS FOR



MESSAGE 1: HOW TO TELL GOD YOU LOVE HIM

Parts 1-2

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the <u>first and greatest</u> commandment."

MATTHEW 23:37-38 (NIV)

"Expressing my love to God" is called	
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" <u>Sing out</u> your thanks to Him; sing praises to our God	·"

Regularly - Occasionally - Rarely

2. BY	WITH	HIM
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"I love the Lord because He hears and answers my prayers. Because He bends down and listens, I will pray as long as I have breath!"

PSALM 116:1-2 (NLT)

PSALM 147:7 (LB)

Regularly - Occasionally - Rarely



3. BY	TO	HIM

"I am the good shepherd I know My own sheep, and they know Me... and <u>they</u> listen to My voice."

JOHN 10:14, 16 (NLT)

Regularly - Occasionally - Rarely

4. BY WITH HIM

"If anyone is ashamed of Me and My teaching then I will be ashamed of him when I come with the glory of My Father..."

MARK 8:38 (ICB)

2 WAYS: COMMUNION & BAPTISM

"When we went under the water, we left the old country of sin behind; when we came up out of the water, we entered into the new country of grace – a new life in a new land! That's what baptism into the life of Jesus means. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus; when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus."

ROMANS 6:3 (MES.)

"Going under the water was a <u>burial of your old life</u>; coming up out of it was a resurrection. God raising you from the dead as He did Christ."

COLOSSIANS 2:12 (MES)

"Your baptism in Christ was not just washing you up for a fresh start. It also involved dressing you <u>in an adult faith wardrobe</u> - Christ's life, the fulfillment of God's original promise."

GALATIANS 3:27 (MES.)

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5. BY	TO	HIM

"Take your everyday, ordinary life – your sleeping, eating, going-to-work and walking-around life – and <u>place it before God</u> as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him."

ROMANS 12:1 (MES)

Regularly - Occasionally - Rarely

6. BY _____ TO HIM

"Just as you excel in faith, in speech, in knowledge and in complete earnestness... see that you also excel in the grace of giving. I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love."

2 CORINTHIANS 8:7-8 (NIV)

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