

Daily Devotion For February 14, 2022

“He who does not love does not know God for God is love.” I John 4:8

Happy Valentine’s Day! We often think of Valentine’s Day as a day for couples to show their love for one another, but how often do we use this day to remind us of God’s unconditional love for us? For some single people, Valentines can be a sad reminder of their singleness and desire to be in a relationship. Fortunately for us, God doesn’t leave anyone out of a relationship of his never-ending love and grace.

1 John 4:8 says, “Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.” John the author tells us God is love itself. We wouldn’t have any conception of “love” if it weren’t for God.

In I Corinthians 13, the love chapter of the Bible, God defines love in this way; “Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.”

We often read this 1 Corinthians passage near Valentine’s Day or at weddings to remind us what love should look like, but God is the perfect demonstration of it. John 3:16 says, “or God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” God gave up His only son for us. He gave us eternal life because of His great and unmatched love for each of us.

Thought For Today: This Valentine’s Day, besides remembering your earthly relationships, don’t forget to set your sights on the God above who loves far more fully and abundantly than we could ever imagine.

Today’s Prayer Focus: Praise God for being a God of love who loves you unconditionally. Pray that God will teach you to love as God loves us. Deo Volente