



The Dimensions of Christ's Love

Paul's prayer in Ephesians 3:18–19 challenges Christians to grasp something that is almost beyond human understanding—the greatness of Christ's love. He prays that believers may “comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height” of Christ's love, and to “know the love of Christ which passes knowledge.” This is a remarkable thought: we are called to know something that surpasses knowledge. The love of Christ is so great that we can spend a lifetime discovering its riches and still never reach its limits.

First, consider the width of Christ's love. God's love reaches across every boundary. Christ did not come to save only a particular nation, social class, or group of people. His invitation is extended to all. John 3:16 reminds us that God loved the world. Jesus died for every person, regardless of background, past failures, or circumstances. The church should reflect that same love by welcoming others and showing them the grace of God.

Second, consider the length of Christ's love. His love extends throughout our lives and beyond. God's love was demonstrated before we ever understood or appreciated it. Romans 5:8 tells us that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. His love did not begin when we became worthy; it was demonstrated when we were unworthy. Furthermore, His love continues as we walk with Him. When we stumble, He calls us back. When we become discouraged, He strengthens us. His faithfulness reminds us that His love is not temporary or dependent upon our circumstances.

Third, there is the depth of Christ's love. The depth of His love is seen in the sacrifice He made for us. Jesus left heaven, came to earth, endured rejection, suffering, and ultimately the cross. Philippians 2:8 says that He “humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death—even the death of the cross.” The cross reveals how far Christ was willing to go to redeem us. His love descended into the depths of human suffering so that we could be lifted from sin and given hope.

Finally, we see the height of Christ's love. His love does not merely rescue us from something; it lifts us toward something. Through Christ, we are given forgiveness, fellowship with God, spiritual blessings, and the hope of eternal life. Ephesians 2:6 says that God has “raised us up together and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.” Christ's love lifts us from the bondage of sin toward the glory of heaven.

Paul concludes by saying that this love “passes knowledge.” We can study it, preach about it, sing about it, and experience its blessings, but we will never exhaust its greatness. The more we understand Christ's love, the more it should transform the way we live.

The challenge is not simply to know that Christ loves us, but to live as people who have been loved by Christ. His love should produce gratitude, obedience, forgiveness, compassion, and love for others.

The dimensions of Christ's love are greater than we can fully comprehend—but they are wide enough to include us, long enough to sustain us, deep enough to save us, and high enough to lead us home

Congregational News & Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Mary Bolen, Luther & Jo Merritt
Nadine McDonald,
Sandra Epperson, Sue Harris
Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder,
Lisa Dukes, Betty Mosely,
Teriyaki Anderson,
James Morris, Troyce Taylor,
Pearl Johnson, Paula Wadley,
Judy Ellis, Jerry Crabb,
Karen Chance
Gaylon & Betty Cooper,
Sammy & Shirley Puckett

Friends & Family

Horace Yearwood,
Beverly Martindale,
Diane Hubbard, Kyle Bess
Brandi Rogers, Corey Allen
Kenton Lancaster,
Ruby Malone, Melissa Henson
Caraline Rogers, Justin Puckett,
Jane Washington, Joyce Pack

Today's Sermons

AM - The Four Dimensions of
God's Love

Ephesians 3:18-19

PM - Singing Night

Happenings

South Jackson

August 30th

5th Sunday Fellowship Meal
following AM Service.
PM Worship will be at 1 PM

October 31

Ladies Retreat
Pinson Mounds
See bulletin board for
more information

Cards to Send

John & Gwen Smith
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Medon, TN 38356

Joe & Faye Venable
1065 Forrest
Henderson, TN 38340

Weekly Record

Bible Class	43/1
AM Worship	78/5
PM Worship	45/7
Wed Bible Study	45/5
Contribution	3431
Budget	3600

Those Privileged to Serve

Aug 23 - AM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Mike Wages
Read Scripture:
Jeff Bliss
Opening Prayer:
Greg Long
Sermon: Ray Pack
Closing Prayer: Joe Venable
Communion: Paul Hatcher
Contribution:
Charlie Richardson

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Ray Pack
Opening Prayer:
Joe Venable
Sermon: Singing Night
Closing Prayer: Jonathan Orr
Communion: Mike Wages

Aug 26 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher
Opening Prayer:
Mike Wages
Devo - Marion Thomas

Aug 30 - AM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Ray Pack
Read Scripture:
Charlie Richardson
Opening Prayer:
Eddie Anderson
Sermon: Greg Long
Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher
Communion: Jeff Dove
Contribution:
Jeff Bliss

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Mike Wages
Opening Prayer:
Paul Hatcher
Sermon: Song Service
Closing Prayer: Ronald Close
Communion: Greg Long

Sept 2 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas
Opening Prayer:
Joe Venable
Devo - Mike Wages

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Service Times

Gospel of Christ - WBBJ	5:00 AM
Sunday Bible Class	9:30 AM
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday PM Worship	5:00 PM
Midweek Bible Study	6:30 PM