

A 47-day Immersion in God's Love

Week Three

A Meditation Guide for Practicing the Loving Presence of God

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Day 15

I thank you, O God, that you are with me in FORGIVING LOVE.

If I have sincere faith in Jesus, you wipe away all my wrongs, covering them, atoning for them, forgetting them, making them white as snow, separating them from me as far as the east is from the west.

You forgive my iniquity, transgression, and sin. (*Exodus 34:7 personalized*)

Day 16

I thank you, O God, that you are with me in BURDEN-BEARING LOVE.

You carry me, my burdens, and my problems.

Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears me up. (*Psalms 68:19 (NIV) personalized*)

Day 17

I thank you, O God, that you are with me in ADOPTING LOVE.

Though I once was a child of the devil, you chose to adopt me and make me your dearly loved son or daughter.

My Father, I see what kind of love you have given me, for I am now a child of God. The day is coming when I will be like you, Jesus, and see you as you are. (*1 John 3:1-2 personalized*)

Day 18

I thank you, O God, that you are with me in LIBERATING LOVE.

You set me free from what oppresses me and puts me in chains. You rescue me from slavery to the world, sin, and the devil.

You set the prisoners free. You open the eyes of the blind. You lift up those who are bowed down. You love the righteous. And since I am righteous through faith in Jesus, you love me. (*Psalm 146:7-8 personalized*)

Day 19

I thank you, O God, that you are with me in REBUKING LOVE.

You tell me the truth about my sin and error, so they will not destroy me.

Those whom you love, you reprove and discipline, so I will be zealous and repent of my sins. (*Revelation 3:19 personalized*)

Day 20

I thank you, O God, that you are with me in COMFORTING LOVE.

To me you are like a blanket in the cold, like food when I am hungry, like reassuring music in a fearful time. You relieve life's pain and torment.

Blessed be the God and Father of my Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort. You comfort me in all my affliction. (*2 Corinthians 1:3-4 personalized*)

Day 21

I thank you, O God, that you are with me in SACRIFICIAL LOVE.

You have loved me in ways that cost you dearly.

Heavenly Father, I thank you that you so loved me that you gave for me your only Son so that I might not perish but have everlasting life. Lord Jesus, I thank you for your gracious sacrifice, that though you were rich, yet for my sake you became poor, so that I by your poverty might become rich. (*John 3:16 and 2 Corinthians 8:9 personalized*)