Living in Love

Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope:

Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him." The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him;

Lamentations 3:21-25 NIV

1 John 4:16

So we have come to **know** and to **believe** (or rely on) the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

Experiential words that bring life to us

Belong in our hearts not in our minds

Father is reliable

John 15 - fruit that will last, abundant

His joy is in us and our joy is therefore made complete

John 17:26 – Jesus prays for us!

I have given them the revelation of who you are, and I will continue to make you even more real to them, so that they may experience the same endless love that you have for me; for your love will now live in them even as I live in them. (The Passion Translation)

Drawn into an intimate relationship which we can't earn

It is the inheritance of sons and daughters

We are with him

John 17:24

Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

As we living in love we begin to love one another (1 John 4:12)

As we live in love we are made complete (1 John 4:17-18)

As we live in love we overcome fear (1 John 4:18)

Exodus 33 Moses asked "who is coming with me" and "teach me your ways"

Wanted the 'help' manual

Instead he got the Father's presence

Same for us - he carries us all the way, don't have to fight on our own, we can rest in love (Deut 1:30-31)

Living in love comes from the heart

Romans 10:10

For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

Heart slower than mind - slow down

The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

Lamentations 3:25-26

Hope, seek, wait

Living in love is not a formula but a relationship