



WHAT DOES GOD THINK ABOUT YOU?

In this episode, Nathan and Lacey discuss why it is important to receive and experience God's love. They will also walk you through a prayer that will encourage you to hear God's voice — listening for what He thinks about you — His specific word of love over you.

INTRODUCTION (00:19)

Loving people out of obligation or condition reveals where we do not fully understand or fully trust the Father's love for us.

1. *How was love modeled to you in your growing up years?*
2. *What did this make you believe about yourself?*

RELATIONAL TRUTH: WE CAN'T GIVE OUT WHAT WE HAVEN'T RECEIVED OURSELVES (02:08)

Our definitions of being worthy of love is often based upon acceptable cultural and traditional behaviors with which we grew up — we can only define love by what we've experienced. Therefore, unconditional standards of love must come from a God who is outside of all traditions and cultures.

3. *Do you agree with the statement, "It is impossible to love others unless you've received God's love"? Why or why not?*

EPHESIANS 3:14-19: THE SPIRIT EMPOWERS US TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S LOVE (03:16)

Our finite beings cannot handle the infinite love of the Heavenly Father. Therefore, we need the Holy Spirit to empower us to be able to handle God's immeasurable love for us.

4. *When is it most difficult for you to believe and feel loved and cared for by God?*

NEXT STEP (06:15)

We invite you to pray — repeat this prayer after us. Then, listen for what the Holy Spirit has to say to you and about you.

PRAYER TO RECEIVE GOD'S SPECIFIC WORD OF LOVE FOR YOU (07:00)

"Heavenly Father, thank You so much for Your love. Thank you for constantly showing and speaking love over me. Holy Spirit, how do You view me?"

5. *What did the Holy Spirit show you or say to you?*