



## God's Valentine – His Love Reality, Response and Result

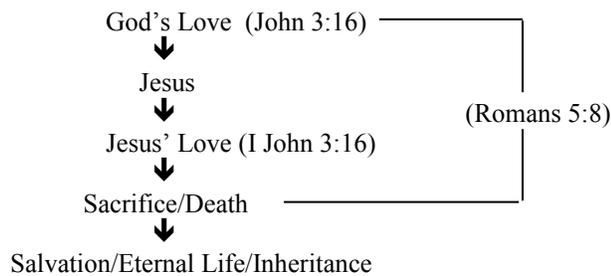


**Reality** - We are separated from God by our sin.

*Romans 3:22-24* This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, **for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God**, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. (NIV)

**Response** - God's love sent Christ [Himself] who, in turn, died for us.

*I John 4:7-10* Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how **God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.** (NIV)



*John 3:16-17* "For **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. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (NIV)

*I John 3:16* This is how we know what **love** is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. (NIV)

*Romans 5:8* But God demonstrates his own **love** for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (NIV)

**Result** – We are [become] children of God.

*I John 3:1* How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called **children of God!** And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. (NIV)

*John 1:12-13* Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become **children of God**--children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God. (NIV)

*Galatians 4:6-7* Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." So you are no longer a slave, but a son[child]; and since you are a son, God has made you also **an heir**. (NIV)