

Leave the Baggage Behind
How To Stop Running From The Pursuing Love Of God

Luke 8:4-8 *Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown.*

1. _____

KEY: Nothing can stop _____

- You are love (*He is not just loving – He is love*)
- You love me
- You have proven your love for me by dying for me
- Love means you “will the good for me”
- That love extends to this very situation I’m facing now

Because your love reaches here, I expect to see your activity in this situation. My confidence is in you and I am excited to see what you will do.

Psalms 23:6 *Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the Lord forever.*

2. Respond to trials with _____

Romans 8:28 *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.*

- a) What _____ are you facing today?
- b) How much confidence do you have that you will _____?
- c) Talk honestly to God about your doubts _____
- d) Carry a tangible _____

If our minds are not possessed with this idea that God really is love and that reaches all the way down to where we really are, we fall into what is common to all temptation and that is the idea that we cannot trust God. Dallas Willard

Father, you aren't just loving, you ARE love. This extends to me. You love me. The cross proves it forever. You cannot not love me. This means you are willing the good for my life right now. You want me to live in your grace (to see your activity). I choose to place my confidence in you and the fact that you are helping me with [name the specific thing]. I'm confident I will experience your grace and love because I am your “special possession” (1 Peter 2:9)

2 Corinthians 12: 9-10 *But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.*