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## Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 175

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by **His covering love**. **Prov. 10:12**, "Hatred stirs up conflict, but love covers over all wrongs."

The Hebrew word for *covers* is **techasseh** which means *to conceal, cover over, remove, hide, engulf, atone or forgive*. This simple verse is profound in its meaning. I think we can all understand by experience, that hatred always causes problems. When one person hates another, roots of bitterness grow and cause division, disdain, and even death of a relationship. Our God loves us too much to let us be separated from Him. He has done everything possible for us to have eternal life with Him, showered in His love. How is that possible, that a holy and perfect God would allow us to enter into His presence forever? For that to happen, all of our sins had to be covered or atoned for. Someone has to pay the price.

Enter our Savior, Jesus the Messiah. It is a beautiful thought written by Solomon. So many years before Jesus came, Solomon knew that God was going to bring redemption to the world. It would come because of God's love, because love covers or atones for all sin. And, because of this, we are to "forgive each other just as the Lord has forgiven you." Col. 3:13

The greatest act of love is forgiveness. When you don't forgive, conflict emerges. When you love, fellowship and love come forward. We have a choice; to hold hatred in our hearts or to forgive and allow God to have control in our lives. I choose forgiveness. *We love, because He first loved us.* 

Dear Father, thank You that Your love covers us. It covers our hatefulness, jealousy, bitterness, and lust. It covers everything that we've done against You and Your law. It covers us because of Your love. Thank You Lord! In Jesus Name, Amen