

Directing Love

Psalm 42:8 By day the Lord directs His love, at night His song is with me - a prayer to the God of my life.

Did you know that God directs His love to you. What does that mean? God loves every person, everywhere, at all times. But if you know and have a relationship with God through Jesus Christ, then He also directs His love to you specifically. The picture here is like a funnel which helps you get a large portion of something through a small opening. In other words, God focuses His love to the ones who have chosen to follow Him. Now don't get me wrong; it is not like He withholds His love from those who have not yet chosen to follow Him, but as Eph. 5:1 says: Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children. When you receive Him as your Father, you are dearly loved as His adopted child. So the picture here is that God pours out His love and His blessings on those who are His. And not only that, He is pleased to do so. In fact, Zeph. 3:17 says: He will take great delight in you; in His love He will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing. You make God's heart full of song when you follow Him and obey Him. That is why the Psalmist says that this is a prayer to the God of my life.

To exalt and praise Him, and then to obey Him, allows God's love to flow freely through the funnel of love and into our lives. We can't allow the cares of this life or the sinful nature of disobedience clog up the relationship that God desires to have with us. And how do we do that? 1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Dear Father, I want to stay clean before You. I confess to You that I am so often selfish and choose the wrong things in my life. Today, help me to call sin what it is and confess it before You so that I can live a clean life and receive the full measure of Your love and blessings. In Jesus Name, Amen