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A Place to Stay

John 15:9 "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love."
This verse is just prior to the one we looked at over the past couple of days. We were commanded to love each other as He has loved us. Now, we can know the means for that to happen. It comes from the place of love - "in Him."

Jesus says "remain in my love." Again, the Greek term meno reminds us to "stay" and not leave; to abide; to live in the love of God. The love of God is so sweet, why would we ever want to leave? Because of our sinful heart, we choose the world and the love of this world, we get up and leave. 1 Tim. 6:10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. We are drawn by the things of this world that seem to say they are more important; but they are not. They are empty in their promises of love and fulfillment. The only thing that can fill and soothe our restless souls is the love of God.

Truly, Jesus is saying to everyone, "If you want to experience true love, remain In Me."
So how can I accomplish this today? I'm so pulled and distracted by what this world has told me is so important. I must remain in His love. I must choose to stay today in Him. All day long.
Dear Lord Jesus, thank You for this gift of love that You give and give and give. Thank you for inviting me into Your presence and experiencing Your great forgiveness and unconditional love. Lord I want to stay in Your love. And when I'm tempted to get up and walk away, draw me closer to You. Lord, I choose to remain in Your love today. In Jesus Name, Amen.