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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 94

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

God proves His love to you by **His requiring us to love**. Micah 6:8 *“He has shown you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.”*

The Hebrew phrase for *require of you* is *dovresh* which means He demands or has set the standard for us and He is seeking that one that will act justly, love mercy and walk humbly. One of my favorite scriptures is **2 Chron. 16:9a** *“For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to Him.”*

Have you ever really thought about the fact that God is looking for those who will be obedient to His call and carry His love to this broken, hurting and dying world? I recall the old poster that used to hang in the Post Office when I was growing up. It had a picture of an older gentleman with a red, white and blue hat, pointing straight at me and the inscription said: I want you for the U.S. Army. It looked as if he meant it too. We know him as “Uncle Sam.” Thousands of young men and women enlisted and went off to war to fight for a country that they believed was One Nation, Under God.

There is a greater battle going on all around us, and it’s not for a territory or a flag, but for the souls of men, women, boys, and girls. The evil one wants to kill, steal, and destroy, but Jesus came so that we might have life to overflowing abundance. And so God requires of us to follow through with His command to love the Lord your God with all of your heart, soul, and strength and to love your neighbor as yourself. A pastor friend reminded me a few years ago - What if when Jesus said to love your neighbor, He really meant it? That question has resonated in my heart and mind ever since. Because God has given, He then wants us to do the same. Maybe there is someone that God is putting on your heart even now; maybe even a neighbor. Set it in your heart to not withhold the greatest gift, the good news of the gospel. Share it today. God will bless you.

Dear Father, You require us to love like You love. We can talk about it and pray about it, but ultimately you want our obedience, not our words. Give us the power of Your Spirit to walk by faith and be Your ambassadors. In Jesus Name, Amen