



We were sinners, yet Christ died for us Romans 58



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From the Pastor

## I Love You

A woman loves to hear "I love you" from her husband. A child loves to hear "I love you" from his father. Who would you like to hear say "I love you" to you?

Consider hearing "I love you" from the God of the universe! Look these words from the Apostle Paul.

**Romans 5:8** ...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (ESV)

**Ephesians 2:4-6** But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ -- by grace you have been saved--<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, (ESV)

The prophet Isaiah tells you how God loves you as a loving shepherd.

**Isaiah 40:11** He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. (ESV)

God loves you deeply. He knows everything about you, even all the bad things about you, and He still loves you. That is a secure, rich love. There will come a time when you will enter the gates of heaven, and God will warmly smile at you with a twinkle in His eye.

As you go through your day, remember you have a Father who knows you deeply and loves you greatly. There will come a day when you will meet Him face to face, and He will say to you, "I love you!"

In Him and for His glory,