

Mid-week Stewardship Thought

God Comes to Us

God's eternal love for us helpless sinners is without limits. *"[He] demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us"* (Romans 5:8). There is no greater need than to be rescued from eternal death, for *"[we] were dead in [our] transgressions and sins, in which [we] used to live when [we] followed the ways of the world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air ..."* (Ephesians 2:1-2).



How can the helpless reach out to God? It's impossible! So God reaches out to us. Although we are sinful people, deserving only His condemnation, He reached down to us in love and grace through His beloved Son, Jesus. *"This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His One and Only Son into the world that we might live through Him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins"* (1 John 4:9-10). In spite of our sinful ways, we don't get what we deserve but, instead, receive God's love and grace.

Prayer: Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for Your love. Thank You for sending Jesus to rescue me from sin and all evil. Help me to show my gratitude through the faithful use of my time, talents, and money. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.