

- I. The amazing love of the Father gives us freedom
 - A. God gives us the freedom to reject his love
 - B. God gives us the freedom to live in sin
 - C. God gives us the freedom to be miserable

“There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil.” (Romans 2:9)

- II. The amazing love of the Father draws us home
 - A. We can remember the love of God
 - B. We can choose to repent of our sin

“Even now,” declares the Lord, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.” (Joel 2:12)

- C. We can humbly confess our sin
- D. We can place ourselves at God’s mercy

“Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy.” (Micah 7:18)

- III. The amazing love of the Father seeks us
 - A. God sees us in our sinful condition
 - B. God has compassion on us

“But you, O Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.” (Psalm 86:15)

- C. God pursues us where we are

“Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, ‘Where are you?’” (Genesis 3:8-9)

- IV. The amazing love of the Father welcomes us home
- V. The amazing love of the Father restores us

“Therefore this is what the Lord says: ‘If you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me.’” (Jeremiah 15:19)

- A. We are restored to God’s care
- B. We are restored to God’s family

C. We are restored to God's service

VI. The amazing love of the Father rejoices over us

"I tell you that in the same way there is more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent." (Luke 15:7)

VII. The amazing love of the Father invite us to rejoice with him