

Love's Burden



➤ The burden of the love of a heavenly Father

✓ God's love and blessings are clear

“For you are a holy people to the Lord your God; the Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for Himself, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth. ⁷ The Lord did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any other people, for you were the least of all peoples; ⁸ but because the Lord loves you, and because He would keep the oath which He swore to your fathers, the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.”

Deut. 7:6-8

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✓ God's love requires something of those He loves

“Therefore know that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments; ¹⁰ and He repays those who hate Him to their face, to destroy them. He will not be slack with him who hates Him; He will repay him to his face. ¹¹ Therefore you shall keep the commandment, the statutes, and the judgments which I command you today, to observe them.”

Deut. 7:9-11

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✓ God's love means He wants to make us more like Himself

“For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son...”

Romans 8:29a

“who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body...”

Philippians 3:21a

“but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him”

1 John 3:2

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➤ The burden of the love of a physical family

✓ Where love is responsibility reigns

Do not let your adornment be merely outward—arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel—⁴ rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.

1 Peter 3:3-5

But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

1 Tim. 5:8

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one who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence

1 Tim. 3:4

*He who spares his rod hates his son,
But he who loves him disciplines him promptly.*

Prov. 13:24

Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord.

Col. 3:20

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- The burden of the love of a spiritual family
 - ✓ Love compels us to accept correction

Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. ² Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Gal. 6:1-2