

“Extravagant Love”
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Luke 7:36-50

THE UNDERLYING TRUTH

Those who realize God’s extravagant love for them,
love God extravagantly.

THE BEAUTY OF GOD’S EXTRAVAGANT LOVE

(Quote by Tim Keller)

1. “You are **more sinful and flawed** than you ever dared believed.”

- “Mistakes” that are so deep, hurtful and destructive, so unrelenting and repetitive, so purposeful and premeditated, are no mistakes at all. They are far worse. They are a choice. They are sin (Romans 7:15-20).

2. “Yet, you are more **accepted and loved by God** than you ever dared hoped” (Romans 5:6-11; 2 Corinthians 5:17).

- True love is not overlooking or denying a person’s sin; it is acknowledging that evil is there, yet deciding that the imperfections will not stand in the way of your relationship.
- The world’s reaction to sin, failure, and disappointment is rejection and separation. But, God’s reaction is absolute forgiveness and acceptance in Christ.

MY RESPONSE

Draw near to God and receive his extravagant love.

CENTRAL TRUTH:

I am more sinful and flawed than I ever dared believed, yet more accepted and loved by God than I ever dared hoped.