

## Sermon Text Discussion 4/16/2017

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Ephesians 2:4-7, "Easter: The Niagara of God's Love" by Drew Hunter

### Overview

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We lack the capacity to comprehend the greatness of God's love.

1. From what God saves us
2. How God saves us
3. Why God saves us

### Quotations

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"One of the greatest hindrances to seeing the depth of God's love is not sensing the depth of our need." -Drew Hunter

"If this [the gospel message] were true, would this not be the greatest possible God we could conceive of?" - Drew Hunter

"Get therefore skill in his dealings with you, and study your friend's [God's] ways to you... it is the end why he raised you up, and brought you into friendship with himself – to show his art of love and friendship to you – how well he could love you." -Thomas Goodwin

### Understanding & Application

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- 1) Do you think of yourself as lacking the capacity to comprehend God's love? What would it mean to be strengthened to understand it (Ephesians 3:18-19)?
- 2) Ephesians 2:1-3 speaks of our natural state as being "dead in trespasses and sins." What does that mean?
- 3) See again the parallels between Ephesians 1:20 and 2:5-6. What does it mean to be presently seated with God in the heavenly places in Christ? What should this mean for how we think and act?
- 4) See the second quotation above. How might you use that question as part of sharing Christ with unbelievers? What sort of responses might you get?
- 5) What are some things you might do to see your capacity to comprehend God's love increase?