God is love, so everything He does is based on love. ...For God so loved the world, that He gave His one and only Son.

It is very important for us to remember that GOD loves everyone we meet. THEY ARE MADE IN HIS IMAGE - PUT TOGETHER IN THEIR MOTHER'S WOMB.

It would really change the way we 'look' at people, looking at them through the heart of Gods love for them.

Fortunately God does not leave us to our own devices, or natural love, but pours that love into our hearts (a work of the Holy Spirit). Romans:5:5

As we surrender to that love, the Holy Spirit pours Gods love into our hearts enabling us to love God and others.

I am sure I've told you this, but over the years, in Gods presence, He has given me a glimpse of HIS LOVE FOR OTHERS, breaking my heart.

As we experience, cherish and dwell in that love, we are FILLED WITH THE FULLNESS OF GOD. Eph:3:19 - this means completely full... (Remember GOD IS LOVE)

Passion Translation 1 Cor:13:4 "Love is *large* and incredibly patient."

The Lord told me recently, that there is no limit to His love, it is immeasurable. MORE THAN ENOUGH FOR US TO SHARE

If we look at Jesus' ministry, no matter the situation, He was never in a hurry. He served the person or situation in love with patience.

Even church services seem to have a time limit, IS THAT LIMITING GOD?

Love is gentle and consistently kind to all.

Matt:11:29 ..TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU "for I am gentle (meek) and humble (lowly and kind)" In other words allow Him to lead us in HIS WAY OF DOING THINGS, with gentleness, kindness and of course compassion. EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE

Note that gentleness etc. are fruits of the Spirit. Ask and allow the Holy Spirit to release His fruit in our lives "And you will find rest for your souls"

It refuses to be jealous when blessing comes to someone else.

ISRAEL LOOKING AT TENT OF meeting as the cloud or fire descended. PRESENCE 'GOD' ..they all saw God but from a different angle so to speak.

We are all unique and see God in a particular way and need to express it. PARTS OF THE BODY

No need to be jealous

Love does not brag about one's achievements nor inflate its own importance. Jesus said I can do nothing of my own, my Father does His work through me.

WE NEED THE HELPER: the beautiful Holy Spirit.

Love does not traffic in shame and disrespect, nor selfishly seek its own honour. We are all loved and saved by the grace of God and should not shame or disrespect others.

JESUS HUMILITY ON THE CROSS...says it all.

Love is not easily irritated or quick to take offence. OFFENCE IS BAIT OF SATAN. Love causes us to forgive, and not be entrapped by offence. This is very important.

Love joyfully celebrates honesty (woman at the well, she told the truth) and finds no delight in what is wrong. KEEPS NO RECORD OF WRONG. God keeps no record of wrong. Jesus paid the full ransom..death..FOR OUR SINS ..GOD KEEPS NO RECORD. When Satan looks at our record he sees RIGHTEOUSNESS. HA HA

Rich young man... putting something (MONEY) before God. Jesus looked at Him in love. God in love corrects His children.

1 Cor 13:7 (Passion translation) "Love is a safe place of shelter, for it never stops believing the best for others."

Love never takes failure as defeat, for it never gives up. (He said to Peter "...when you come back" AFTER HE DENIED HIM)

Notice Jesus grabs Peter's hand when He falters WHEN WALKING ON WATER. PETER WAS ACTUALLY RESPONDING IN FAITH TO THE WORD "COME" Without faith we cannot please God... so Peter's initial response would please God.

I've certainly stepped out in faith according to the Word and seemed to fail, but Jesus has always caught my hand. Peter gladly took HIS HAND ...THAT HAND IS EXTENDED TO YOU

I was having a time with the Lord just last week, and I felt the Lord say take my hand. I CLOSED MY EYES AND PICTURED MYSELF TAKING HIS HAND, I was hoping to feel His hand. At the time the Holy Spirit was telling me of things to come. I said "Lord did I take your hand", and He gave me Isaiah 42, which speaks of both ...I WAS SO AMAZED.

Look at the beautiful way Jesus shows, patience, gentleness, and kindness to Peter plus others... (woman in adultery ...love warns ...sin no more)

In kindness He sought Peter out after resurrection... told him (indirectly) not to worry about perfection when you serve me, as you do your love and therefore obedience will increase. "do you love me " God loves any level of love. He sees the heart...

Jesus prophesied in love VERY IMPORTANT... GIFTS MUST BE DONE IN LOVE...

It's the persistent love and mercy Jesus shows Peter that brings the change. The goodness of God that brings repentance (Change of mind).

LOVE never stops believing the best for others. Notice Jesus called him Peter ...ROCK... and on the rock I will build my church.

Derek Prince says it means chip off the old block. THATS US.

<u>JESUS SEES THE FULL PICTURE</u> OF OUR LIVES ...UNDERSTANDS. Love gives ...Father gives the Son ...Son gives His life.

Isaiah:50:5 The Lord Yahweh has opened my ear, and I did not resist; I did not rebel. ⁶ I offered my back to those who flogged me and my cheek to those who tore out my beard. I never hid my face from demeaning insults or from those who spit on me. ⁷ The Lord Yahweh empowers me, so I am not humiliated.

***HE KNEW HE WAS LOVED ADORED AND HELD IN HONOUR BY HIS FATHER... ***THE ENEMY WAS BEHIND THOSE ACCUSATIONS ***WE MUST LEARN FROM THAT ***He loves and adores us

This is love that a man lays down His life for another.

Love produces fruit – obedience. If you love me YOU WILL OBEY ME. which produces more intimacy. God's love is passionate (Holy Spirit in Acts) it will produce passion in us for Him. Peter running to Jesus. ***look up love in SOS (Song of Solomon?). He loves our imperfect love ***

He gives us His love so that we can love him and others

This is love that a man lays down His life for another

The cross is the fruit of love. Healing, mercy, acceptance, ETERNAL LIFE. Delivered from the curse... JESUS BECAME A CURSE Love HEALED PETER'S DISTRAUGHT HEART. And gave Peter a bold voice.

CONCLUSION

I SAY IN FAITH

- ...the HOLY SPIRIT gave me a word of knowledge for someone who has an irritable bowel
- ...just receive that touch of healing now from the Holy Spirit in faith

...His word goes forth to heal

...be healed in Jesus' name.

Let me pray for you all

Precious HOLY SPIRIT, touch every heart and life that reads this Word with the FIRE OF YOUR LOVETOUCH THEM NOW IN JESUS NAME.