

# GOD LOVES YOU, LOVE HIM BACK

*"Draw close to God and He will draw close to you."*

James 4:8 (NLT)

## Ways we relate to God:

- 1) Life \_\_\_\_\_ God: \_\_\_\_\_ ?
- 2) Life \_\_\_\_\_ God: \_\_\_\_\_ ?
- 3) Life \_\_\_\_\_ God: \_\_\_\_\_ ?

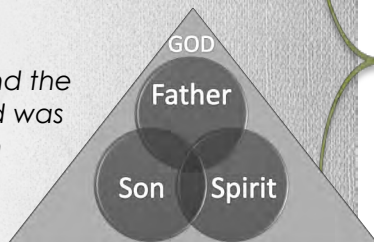
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*"And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them... We love because he first loved us."*

1 John 4:16, 19 (NIV)

## God has an eternal relationship

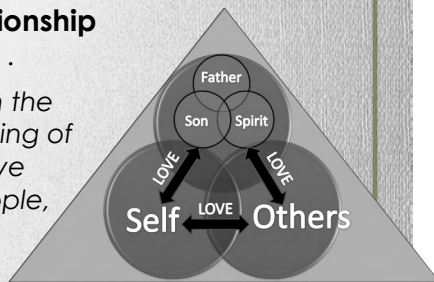
*"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God."* John 1:1 (NIV)



## God desires an eternal relationship

*"And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.'"*

Revelation 21:3 (NIV)



Hesed (Hebrew): \_\_\_\_\_

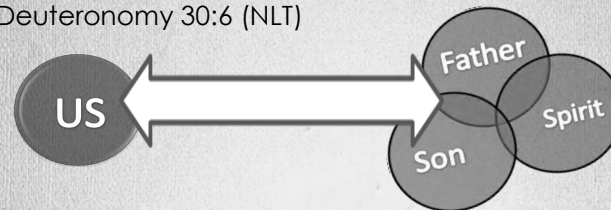
*"I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself."* Jeremiah 31:3 (NLT)

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## { LOVE HIM BACK }

*"The LORD your God will change your heart... so that you will love him with all your heart and soul and so you may live!"* Deuteronomy 30:6 (NLT)



## The Discipline of Devotion (A Daily Exercise)

Step 1: \_\_\_\_\_

*"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."*

Revelation 4:11; (cf. 5:9-13)

Step 2: \_\_\_\_\_

*"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship."*

Romans 12:1 (NIV)

Step 3: \_\_\_\_\_

*"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."*

Psalms 139:23, 24 (cf. John 1:8-10)

Step 4: \_\_\_\_\_

*"Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night."* Psalms 1:1-2 (NLT)

Biblical Meditation	Eastern Meditation

*"Summing it all up, friends, I'd say you'll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse."* Philippians 4:8 (MSG)

COME CLOSER  
Draw close to Him and He will close near to you