

The Cycle of The LOVE of God by Minister Lori Younge

LOVE is an *action* word! What does the **Love of God** do or what has the **Love of God** caused to happen? James 2:18 says, "Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works." In similar fashion, **God** (plural) has shown us His **love** by His actions. The saying goes, "Actions speak louder than words." The chart shows the cycle of **God's Love** in action from one member of the trinity to the next.

Because the **Holy Spirit** loves us...

1. **He helps us in prayer and also intercedes for us.** Romans 8:26-27 says, "Likewise the **Spirit** also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the **Spirit** itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the **Spirit**, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God."
2. **He guides us.** John 16:13 says, "Howbeit when he, **the Spirit of truth**, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come." Romans 8:14 says, "For as many as are led by the **Spirit of God**, they are the sons of God."
3. **He helps us to love.** Romans 5:5 says, "And hope maketh not ashamed; because the **love of God** is shed abroad in our hearts by the **Holy Ghost** which is given unto us."

Because **Jesus** loves us...

1. **He obeyed the call to sacrifice.** Philippians 2:7-8 says, "But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."
2. **He prayed that God's will be done.** Matthew 26:39 says, "And he went a little farther, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my **Father**, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt."
3. **He intercedes for us.** Romans 8:34 says, "Who is he that condemneth? It is **Christ** that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of **God**, who also maketh intercession for us."
4. **He left the Comforter.** John 15:26 says, "But when the **Comforter** is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the **Spirit of truth**, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:"

Because the **Father** loves us...

1. **He has not dealt with us according to our sin.** Psalm 103:8-10 says, "The **LORD** is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide [strive]: neither will he keep his anger for ever. He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities."
2. **He sent his only begotten son to die for us while we were yet sinners.** John 3:16 says, "For **God so loved** the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Romans 5:8 says, "But **God** commendeth his **love** toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, **Christ** died for us."
3. **He provided an everlasting sacrifice for us.** 2 Corinthians 5:21 says, "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of **God** in him."
4. **He rebukes and chastens us.** Revelation 3:19 says, "As many as I **love**, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent."

