

LOVING GOD

We are commanded to love God.

Mark 12:30

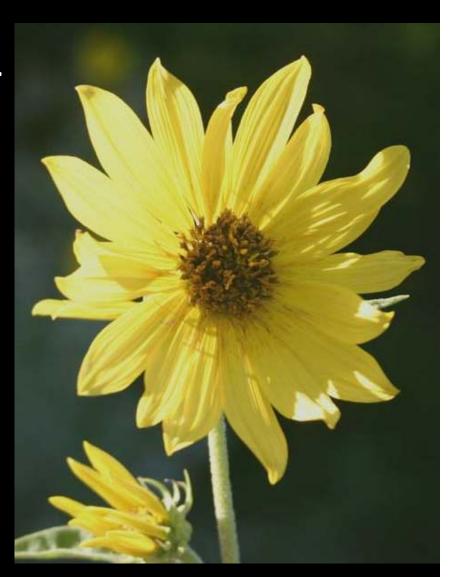
Paul compares the relationship of Christ and the church as a BRIDE and GROOM

Ephesians 5:32

- LOVE FIRST -

- LOVE GROWS

- LOVE DEEPENS



LOVE FIRST

Love in the beginning
"Falling in love"

Vibrant – Romantic – Naïve

Marriages can end when first love dies

First love for God is where devotion grows

1 John 5:1-3



LOVE GROWS

Love must grow into a relationship

True love is found in understanding one another

1 Peter 3:7 and 3:1

Love for God must grow daily Ephesians 5:27-29

Talking and listening to God daily

1 John 2:3-6



LOVE DEEPENS

When our relationship with God begins with first love and grows

LOVE WILL DEEPEN

Cling to God

Deuteronomy 30:20

Jacob's love - Genesis 29:20

Enraptured love – Proverbs 5:19

Christ like love – Ephesians 5:25







