

An Expression of Love



HOW DOES GOD EXPRESS HIS LOVE FOR US?

He wants to spend time with us

- **“Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.” (Rev. 3:20)**
- **“Let me see your face, let me hear your voice; For your voice is sweet, And your face is lovely.” (SS 2:14)**



He sympathizes with our condition

- **“You made Yourself of no reputation and took the form of a servant. And blessed my nature in You. And fulfilled You Law on my behalf. You have shown me the rising again from my fall.”**
(Liturgy of St. Gregory)
- **“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”** (1 Jn. 1:9)



He offers us gifts – for FREE

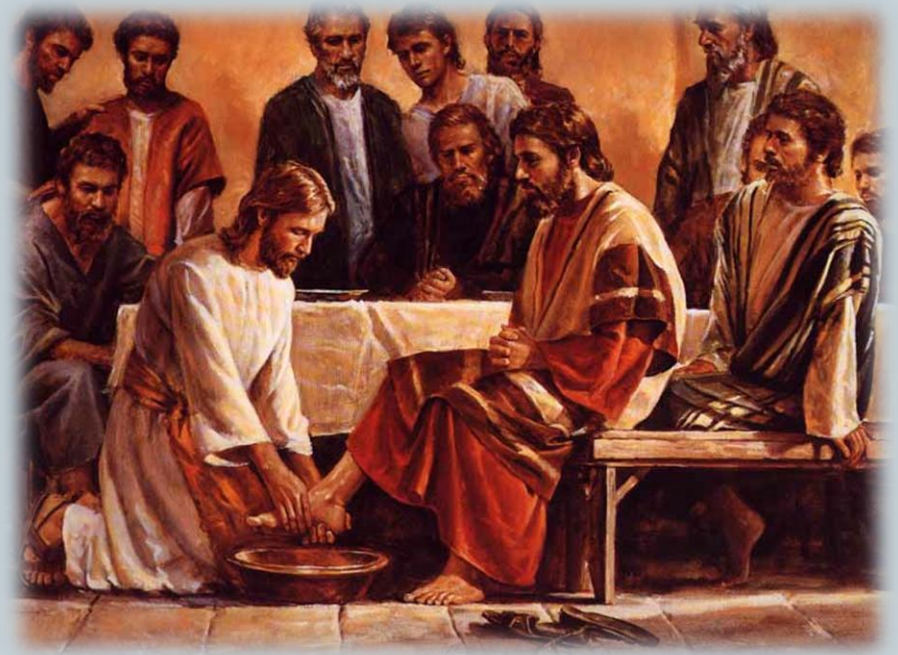


- **“The love with which God created us appears to have cost him nothing; but the love with which God so loved the world manifestly cost him everything.” (St. Augustine)**
- **“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (Jn. 3:16)**
- **“Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.” (1 Cor. 2:12)**
- **“Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.” (Matt. 10:8)**

He came to serve



- **“And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave—just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”**
(Matt. 20:27-28)



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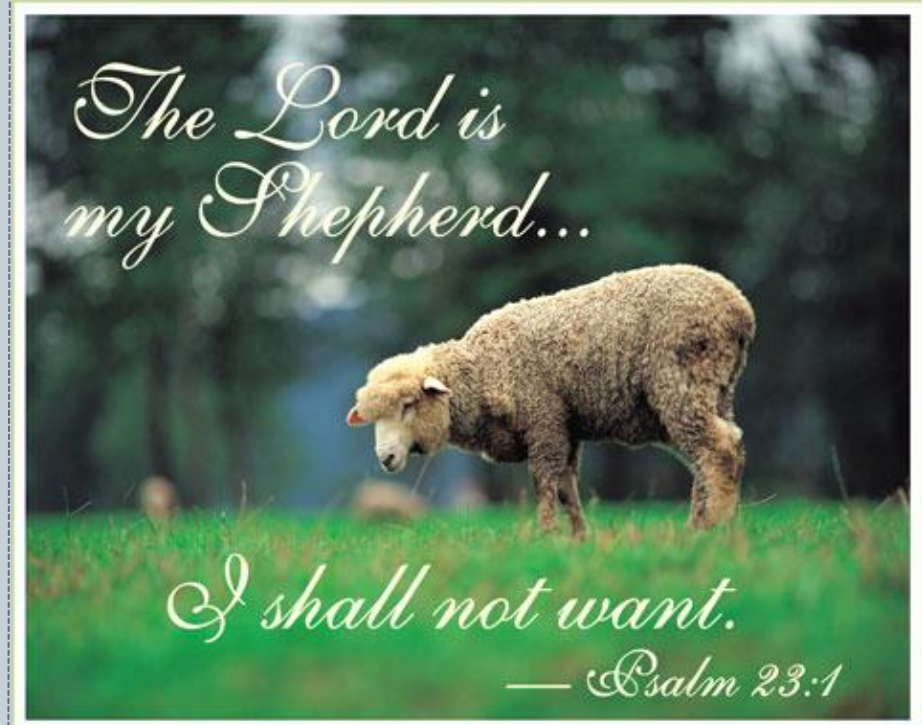
- **“The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called ‘benefactors.’ But not so *among* you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves.”** (Lk. 22:25-26)
- **“Serve one another in love.”** (Gal. 5:13)



Extends a heavenly touch



- **“Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For *You are with me*; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.” (Ps. 23:4)**



Sacrifice



- **“who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men.”** (Phil. 2:6-7)

