

## HOW TO TELL GOD YOU LOVE HIM

### Essentials for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Living

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*“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment.”* Matt. 23:37-38 (NIV)

“Expressing my love to God” is called \_\_\_\_\_

#### 1. BY \_\_\_\_\_ TO HIM

*“Sing out your thanks to Him; sing praises to our God...”* Ps. 147:7 (LB)

Regularly – Occasionally – Rarely

#### 2. BY \_\_\_\_\_ WITH HIM

*“I love the Lord because He hears and answers my prayers. Because He bends down and listens, I will pray as long as I have breath!”* Ps. 116:1-2 (NLT)

Regularly – Occasionally – Rarely

#### 3. BY \_\_\_\_\_ TO HIM

*“I am the good shepherd I know My own sheep, and they know Me... and they listen to My voice.”* John 10:14, 16 (NLT)

Regularly – Occasionally – Rarely

#### 4. BY \_\_\_\_\_ WITH HIM

*“If anyone is ashamed of Me and My teaching then I will be ashamed of him when I come with the glory of My Father...”* Mark 8:38 (ICB)

### 2 WAYS: COMMUNION & BAPTISM

*“When we went under the water, we left the old country of sin behind; when we came up out of the water, we entered into the new country of grace – a new life in a new land! That’s what baptism into the life of Jesus means. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus; when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus.”* Rom. 6:3 (Mes.)

“Going under the water was a burial of your old life; coming up out of it was a resurrection, God raising you from the dead as He did Christ.” Col. 2:12 (Mes)

“Your baptism in Christ was not just washing you up for a fresh start. It also involved dressing you in an adult faith wardrobe – Christ’s life, the fulfillment of God’s original promise.” Gal. 3:27 (Mes.)

Regularly – Occasionally – Rarely

5. BY \_\_\_\_\_ TO HIM

“Take your everyday, ordinary life – your sleeping, eating, going-to-work and walking-around life – and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him.” Rom. 12:1 (Mes)

Regularly – Occasionally – Rarely

6. BY \_\_\_\_\_ TO HIM

“Just as you excel in faith, in speech, in knowledge and in complete earnestness... see that you also excel in the grace of giving. I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love.” 2 Cor. 8:7-8 (NIV)

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