

LOVING GOD:

**With all
our souls**

WITH ALL OUR SOULS:

- Out of Alignment (old car, soul)
- If we are going to love God with all our souls, we need to get our soul in alignment with God. How?
- 1 John 4:13-19, “This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.

WITH ALL OUR SOULS:

- **1 John 4:13-19, “If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. 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. This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment:**

WITH ALL OUR SOULS:

- **1 John 4:13-19, “In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love Him because He first loved us.”**

WITH ALL OUR SOULS:

- The key to getting our souls in alignment, and loving God with all our souls is this: We love Him because He first loved us. Those who are marked by the Father's love, love like the Father loves. (water flowing through two pipes – alignment)

WITH ALL OUR SOULS:

- *If we are going to love God with all our souls we must receive the Father's love. John said, "If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love." We humbly receive (salvation – the gift of being born – human family & God's family)*

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- *If we are going to love God with all our souls we must receive the Father's love.*
- Identity is a gift. It isn't achieved, but it is received. (adopted; name; Spirit; full privilege?)
- When our souls are in proper alignment we don't define ourselves by what we do or what we have but by who we are (positive or negative). (kids)

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- *If we are going to love God with all our souls we must receive the Father's love.*
- When our souls are in alignment because we are receiving the Father's love there is a deep peace, joy, and love. We love Him because He loved us. (Restlessness in misalignment – driven; empty)

WITH ALL OUR SOULS:

- *If we are going to love God with all our souls we must rest in the Father's love. John said, "In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love." (fear & restlessness)*

WITH ALL OUR SOULS:

- *If we are going to love God with all our souls we must rest in the Father's love.*
- We must rest from striving. Striving to achieve significance. Striving to achieve acceptance. (have to recognize fear – restless) (shame – deeds, wounds) Perfect love drives out fear. Rest in love

WITH ALL OUR SOULS:

- *If we are going to love God with all our souls we must rest in the Father's love.*
- Only when our soul is at rest in our Father's tender affections can we love God with all our soul. We are going to have to literally rest to enter God's rest. (monastery stay)