How May We Love Him More?

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Spend much time alone in contemplating what He has done for you, and what He is, as the "Chiefest among ten thousand" and the "altogether lovely." Stir the inner fire by means of memory. Let hope pile on it the fuel of promise until it begins to blaze. Cultivate the habit of speaking aloud to Him in an empty room or a lonely walk, until He is interlaced in the tiniest episodes of existence.

Open your heart to the entrance of the Holy Spirit shedding abroad the love of God in the heart, and gathering the rays of that love into a burning focus so that you may love God back with love which has come from His heart into yours. Very especially, accustom yourself to do, for the sake of His dear love, many things which cost you self-sacrifice and effort. As we show love to others we understand His love to ourselves. "Every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love" (1 John 4:7-8).

The key to the knowledge of the love of Jesus is not in singing rapturous hymns, nor in seeking to arouse intense emotion, but in quietly doing daily deeds of self-denial for His sake. Surely this is the way to sow ourselves as corns of wheat in the ground, while He measures the least act of love, not by the magnitude of the deed itself, but by the strength of the love which prompts it. It is astonishing how quickly we graduate in the school of love, when we begin to put in practice all we know.

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