



# His Banner Over Me Is LOVE

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*“You are beautiful, my darling, beautiful beyond words. Your eyes are like doves behind your veil. Your hair falls in waves, like a flock of goats winding down the slopes of Gilead. Your teeth are as white as sheep, recently shorn and freshly washed. Your smile is flawless, each tooth matched with its twin. Your lips are like scarlet ribbon; your mouth is inviting. Your cheeks are like rosy pomegranates behind your veil. Your neck is as beautiful as the tower of David, jewelled with the shields of a thousand heroes. Your breasts are like two fawns, twin fawns of a gazelle grazing among the lilies. Before the dawn breezes blow and the night shadows flee, I will hurry to the mountain of myrrh and to the hill of frankincense. You are altogether beautiful, my darling, beautiful in every way.”*



*“The Song of Solomon is interpreted many ways - from an ancient poem celebrating romance to a personal disclosure of Solomon’s affection for his favourite wife, to an allegory of the relationship between Jesus Christ and His bride, the notions about human sexuality, married love-making, sensual delights.”*

*- Pastor Jack Hayford*



*“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her...”*

*Ephesians 5:25 NKJV*

*“For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”*

*Romans 5:6-8 NKJV*

*“Back in the day there was a man  
Who stepped out of Heaven and he walked the land  
He delivered to the people an eternal choice  
With a heart full of luv and the truth in His voice  
Gave up His life so that we may live  
How much more luv could the Son of God give?  
Here is the example that we oughtta be matchin'  
Cause luv is a word that requires some action”*

*- DC TALK*



*“He has brought me to his banqueting place, And his banner over me is love [waving overhead to protect and comfort me].”*

*Song of Solomon 2:4 AMP*

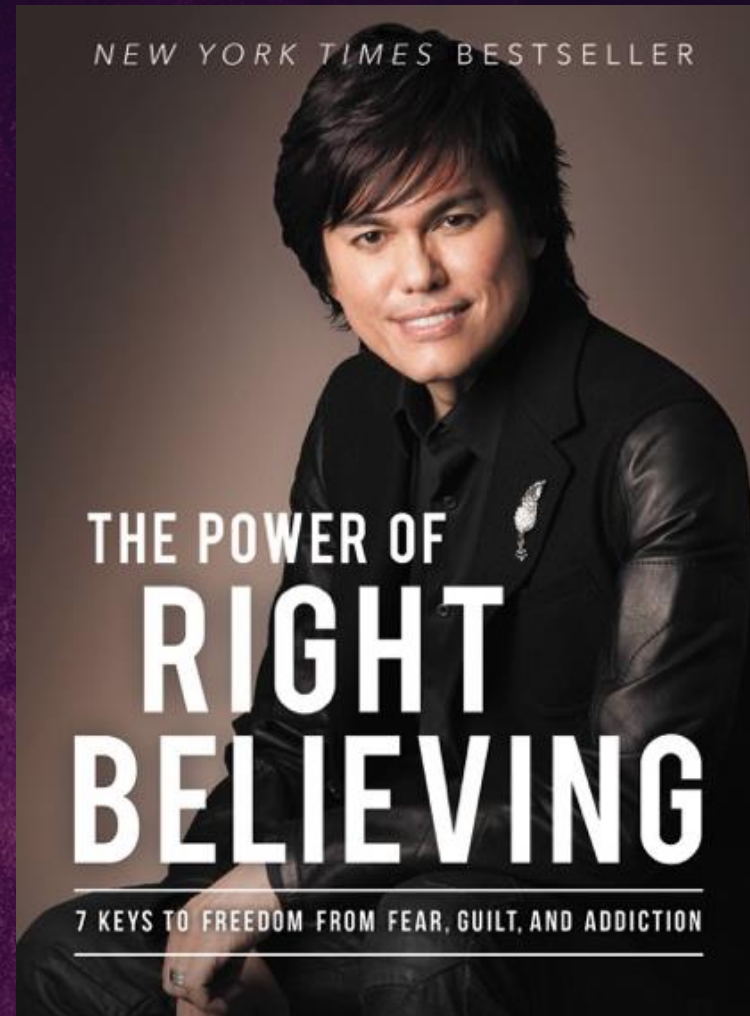


*“Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. We love Him because He first loved us.”*

*1 John 4:17-19 NKJV*

*“While our love for God can fluctuate, His love for us always remains constant. His love for us is based on who He is not based on what we do.”*

*- Pastor Joseph Prince*



*“For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

*Romans 8:38-39 NKJV*

*The blessed John the Evangelist lived in Ephesus until extreme old age. His disciples could barely carry him to church and he could not muster the voice to speak many words. During individual gatherings he usually said nothing but, "Little children, love one another." The disciples and brothers in attendance, annoyed because they always heard the same words, finally said, "Teacher, why do you always say this?" He replied with a line worthy of John: "Because it is the Lord's commandment and if it alone is kept, it is sufficient."*

*“And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.”*

*1 John 4:16 NKJV*

*“Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails...”*

*1 Corinthians 13:4-8*



*“So, what does it mean that God is love? Love is an attribute of God. Love is a core aspect of God’s character, His Person. God’s love is in no sense in conflict with His holiness, righteousness, justice, or even His wrath. All of God’s attributes are in perfect harmony. Everything God does is loving, just as everything He does is just and right. God is the perfect example of true love. Amazingly, God has given those who receive His Son Jesus as their personal Saviour the ability to love as He does, through the power of the Holy Spirit...”*

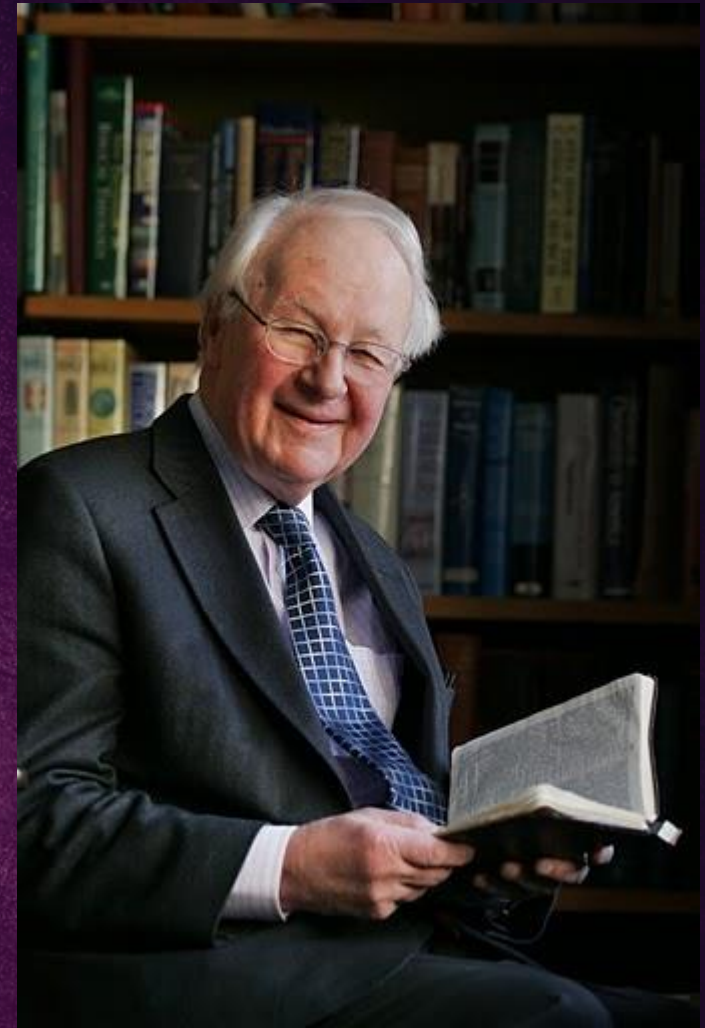


*“Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.”*

*Romans 5:5 NKJV*

*“The love that is eternally in God and was historically manifested in Christ is to come to fruition in us.”*

*- John Stott*



*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.”*

*Galatians 5:22-23 NKJV*

*“And may you have the power to understand, as all God’s people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.”*

*Ephesians 3:18-19 NLT*

