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WHAT ARE WE WORTH TO HIM?

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If you wanted to price an item for a yard sale or Craigslist, how would you determine its value?

God thought we were worth enough to pay for our salvation with the life of His only Son, whom He raised from the dead. John wrote, “God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him” (1 John 4:9). Paul wrote, “In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace” (Eph. 1:7-8). Since God paid for mankind and the church with His Son’s blood (Acts 20:28; Eph. 5:25), each of us must be valuable.

We can see our worth in how much God was willing to pay for us. We are worth more than any amount of money. Peter wrote, “Ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; but with an “unspeakable gift” (2 Cor. 9:15). Which means its number cannot be told.

God has invested a lot in us since our conversions. We were all “fixer-uppers” in need of more than just a washing. We needed a complete makeover—to be made over into Christ’s image (2 Cor. 3:18; cf. Rom. 12:2). God invests a little in us each day—He gives us our sustenance, answers our prayers, and guides our steps. Truly, God freely gives us all things (cf. Rom. 8:32).

A school teacher noticed a little student straining to read the board. Taking it upon herself, she made arrangements for an optometrist to stop by the school and test the girl’s vision. About a week later, the teacher gave her student a pair of new glasses. [The girl] said she could not take them because her parents did not have the money to pay for them. Her teacher replied, “You don’t have to pay for them; I already did.” That is what God does for us. We are worth so much to Him that He keeps us “as the apple of his eye” (Deut. 32:10).

It is sometimes easier for a Christian to tell others that God loves them than it is to say to himself, “God loves me.” Look at what God has done to show you how much you mean to Him.