

A sermon trilogy on...

Deuteronomy 6:5

"God Beyond Me" "God Within Me" "God Through Me"

FEBRUARY 15

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"God Within Me"

SUNDAY MORNING,
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Services @8:30 & 10:45

Sunday School for ALL @9:50

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Deut. 6:4-5, NIV

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God,
the LORD is one. Love the LORD
with all you heart and with all your soul
and with all your strength.

HEART = mystery OF God... (intellect)...
I'm interested!

SOUL – relationship WITH God.. (emotion)...
I'm delighted!

STRENGTH = duty TO God... (will)... I'm loyal!

FOCUS

Heart = GOD

Soul = MYSELF

Strength = OTHERS

The DELIGHTFUL/RELATIONAL kind
of love... What are the INGREDIENTS?

- 1) **prayer/talk** (communication) “voice”
(Psalm 116)
- 2) **faith/trust** (confidence) “I believed”
- 3) **gratitude/appreciation** (cognizance)
“He saved me”

4) **worship/praise** (congregation)
“in the presence of all his people”

5) **obedience/vows** (compliance)
“that I may walk before the Lord”

Jeremiah 2:2 I remember the devotion of your youth, how as a bride you loved me and followed me through the desert, through a land not sown.

Analogy = MARRIAGE

Love is described as a joyful, simple-minded devotion that minimizes all difficulty, drudgery or dread, caring only about the relationship!

***This is attraction, attachment,
and adoration.**

**This is what our Creator expects
from each SOUL that he created!**

Deuteronomy 8:3 God humbled you
[no food!] then he fed you with manna
[Oh! We can live without bread!] to
teach you that man does not live on
bread alone but on every WORD that
comes from the mouth of God.

Since God has given a WORD to the world,
the soul that loves God will delight in his word.

*It seems impossible to love someone
and not care about what they say.



Your SOUL is your SELF.

God is not looking for us to merely be polite to him (outwardly) but to love him with our true, real, inner SELF.

God EXPECTS us [This, said Jesus, is the “greatest commandment”] to accept the gift of our life with **reverence** and **acknowledgement**, to love him with our SOUL.