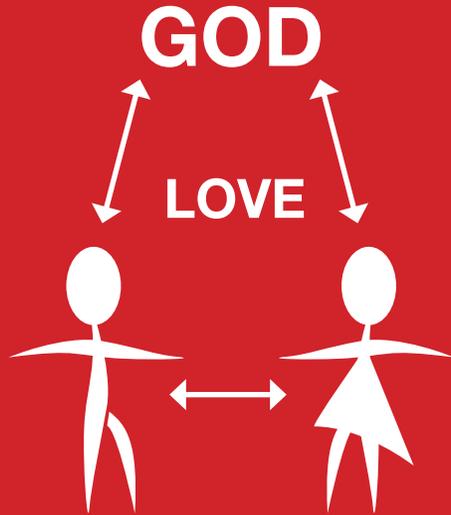


All of us
are looking
for **love.**



*"God created male and female in his image.
"God blessed them."
Genesis 1*

What do you think the diagram is about?

God knows you
and loves you deeply.

"Every good and perfect gift is from God."

How do you think people recognize God's love?
How do you know God loves you?

GOD



*"The man and his wife hid from the Lord God."
Genesis 3*

Why is the line drawn between God and people?

God commands us,

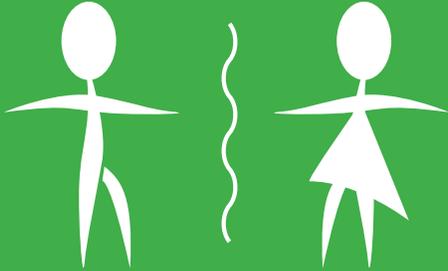
*"Love the Lord your God with all of your
heart, soul, mind and strength."*

Yet we love other things more.

What are some of the things we love more than God?

How do we "hide" from God?

GOD



*"Adam said, 'the woman you gave me - she gave me the fruit.'
Eve said, 'the serpent tricked me.'"
Genesis 3*

How does blame separate relationships?

God commands us,

"Love your neighbor as yourself."

Yet we blame each other for our faults.

What are some other ways we do not love others as ourselves?

Breaking God's laws/commands is called, "sin."

Sin leaves us with feelings of guilt, shame and fear.

Jesus came to restore us to God,
to free us from shame, fear and guilt.

*“Christ didn’t have any sin. But God made him to become sin for us,
so that we can be made right with God.”
II Corinthians 5:21*

GOD



*“God demonstrates his own love for us in this:
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”*

How is Jesus our substitute?
Why do you think his substitution for us,
on the cross, is important?

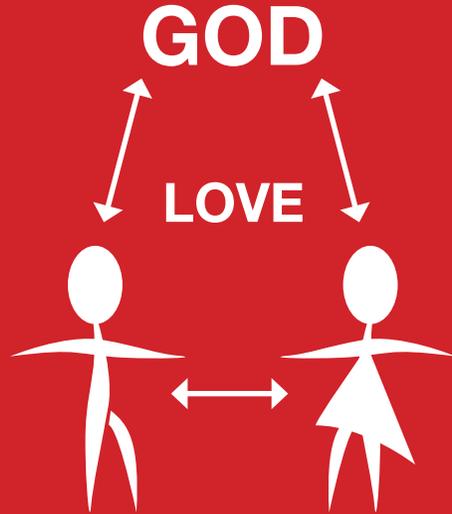


*"Jesus was handed over to die for our sins.
He was raised to life in order to make us right with God."
Romans 4:25*

Jesus rose from the dead.

Jesus said, "Because I live, you also will live."

Why can Jesus give us life with God?



*"You have been saved by faith... not by works."
Ephesians 2:8*

What is the difference between faith and works?

Faith in Jesus
brings peace with God and
teaches us to love one another.

*"We have been made right with God because of our faith.
Now we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."*

Why would a person follow Jesus?

What changes come to one who decides to follow Jesus?

What do you think happens if we don't follow Jesus?

*Perish means to be ruined, to live apart from God's love forever.
Eternal life means to live in harmony with God forever.*

“God loved the world so much
that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in Him
shall not perish, but have eternal life.”



What will you choose?



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