

G.I.F.T. Growing In Faith Together

Systematic Theology—Paterology/Doctrine of God Part 5

"Behold thy God" Isaiah 40:9

The Character of God—The Love of God

I. God's Love and the Source of Love.

(I John 4:8; 16—II Cor. 13:11)

II. God's General Love for Mankind (Common grace)

(Psalm 145:9; 15-16—Matthew 5:44-55)

III. The Manifestation of God's Love

A. His Mercy—this refers to His lovingkindness, tenderheartedness, and compassion toward sinful man. (II Cor. 1:3)

B. His Grace—this refers to God's willingness to treat His sinful humanity, not according to their worth, but according to His own kindness. (Isaiah 30:18)

C. His Patience—this refers to God's willingness to bear with the weakness and wrong-doing of humanity. (Psalm 78:36-40—Exodus 34:6)