His Lovingkindness

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INTRODUCTION

- I'm not going to preach today about fathers, but I'm going to talk to you about our Father in heaven.
- If you looked it up in the New American Oxford Dictionary, the definition of the word is tenderness and consideration toward others.
- That's not our God. Because our God is a God of loving kindness.

1 His Loving Kindness Is Undeserved

Exodus 34:6–7; Numbers 14; Romans 3:26

- It cannot be earned. There is nothing we can do to deserve it. He gives it to us as a gift when we do what he says, which is to fear him.
- In verse 8, the Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in loving kindness.
- Our God wants to save. He longs to save. He finds favor in saving and in forgiving.
- You want motivation to repent? How about this? Our God will forgive you abundantly. He will receive you if you but come to him.
- God cares deeply. He angers slowly, and he blesses abundantly.
- How about I'm better than I deserve? It's a statement of grace, isn't it? It's a statement of faith.

2 His Loving Kindness Is Unreserved

Ephesians 3; Micah 7

- For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his loving kindness toward those who fear him.
- So this love that God has for us, it is unreserved.
- As far as the east is from the west, so far as he removed our transgressions from us.
- If you're a baptized believer who fears the Lord, then you need to have the utmost confidence that your sins have been separated as far as the east is from the West.
- Just as the Father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.
- He knows that we are human. He knows that we are frail. He knows that we are dust. And therefore he has compassion on us.

3 His Loving Kindness Is Unending

- The loving kindness of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him.
- Man is temporal, but God's loving kindness is not that way.
- The only thing that is sure and steadfast is the everlasting love of our God.
- We see also that this loving kindness is extended only to those who fear Him.

- We don't need to feel so good that we forget about the condition. And the condition is fear God. Sin is serious business.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **If you would like to become a Christian and have the hope of eternal life and have security of God's loving kindness, why don't you do that today?**

MY NOTES