

The Lost Day (Part 1)

An Unexpected Love Affair

Study Guide

- Three unexpected “love” Psalms
 - ◆ Psalm 119:97, “Oh, how I love Your _____! It is my meditation all the day.”
 - ◆ Psalm 19:7-10, “The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; the statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes More to be _____ are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.”
 - ◆ Psalm 40:8, “I _____ to do Your will, O my God, and Your law is within my _____.”
- Ellen White: “The love of God is something more than a mere _____; it is a positive and _____ principle, a living spring, ever flowing to bless others. If the love of Christ dwells in us, we shall not only cherish no hatred toward our fellows, but we shall seek in _____ way to manifest love toward them” (*Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing*, 58).
- Skip MacCarty: “The new covenant represents an _____ religious experience lived by one who has been ‘born of the Spirit,’ ‘lives the the Spirit,’ bears the ‘fruit of the Spirit,’ and exercises the ‘gifts of the Spirit.’ The Holy Spirit

_____ God’s law in the mind and writes it on the heart of believers establishing it on the basis of their faith and fulfilling its requirements in their lives. Someone _____ a new covenant experience delights in and loves God’s law. In the Holy Spirit’s hands, God’s law is ‘perfect.’ The Holy Spirit _____ God’s law for ‘converting the soul,’ creating true freedom, revealing sin that we might be drawn ever closer to Christ, and _____ and empowering ‘the obedience that comes from faith’ ” (*In Granite or Ingrained*, 83).

- Ellen White:
 - ◆ “All true _____ comes from the heart. It was heart work with Christ. And if we consent, He will so identify Himself with our thoughts and aims, so blend our hearts and minds into conformity to His will, that when obeying Him we shall be but carrying out our own _____. The will, refined and sanctified, will find its highest delight in doing His service. When we know God as it is our privilege to know Him, our life will be a life of continual obedience. Through an appreciation of the character of Christ, through communion with God, sin will become _____ to us” (*The Desire of Ages*, 668).
 - ◆ “The light shining from the cross reveals the love of God. His love is drawing us to Himself. If we do not _____ this drawing, we shall be led to the foot of the cross in

repentance for the sins that have crucified the Saviour. Then the Spirit of God through faith produces a _____ life in the soul. The thoughts and desires are brought into _____ to the will of Christ. The heart, the mind, are created anew in the image of Him who works in us to subdue all things to Himself. Then the law of God is written in the mind and heart, and we can say with Christ, ‘I delight to do Thy will, O my God’” (*Ibid*, 175).

“I delight to do Your will, O my God, and Your law is within my heart.”

Answers: law, desired, delight, heart, negation, active, every, internalized, puts, enjoying, motivating, new, obedience, impulses, hateful, resist, obedience