

A gift wrapped in brown paper, tied with red and white twine, and decorated with a small pine branch. A red stamp with the word "GERRY" is visible on the paper. The text "Advent The Arrival Of Love" is overlaid in white cursive font.

Advent
The Arrival Of
Love

Love comes to us and then love flows through us.

But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

John 1:12-13 NLT

We are loved as part of God's family.

See how very much our Father loves us, for he calls us his children, and that is what we are!

1 John 3:1

We are loved eternally.

Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

Ephesians 1:4-5 NLT

Love comes to us and then love flows through us.

This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.

Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and his love is brought to full expression in us.

1 John 4:10-12