



The love of God is an all-consuming fire that is jealous to consume every part of you so that you become not only an image of God's intended purpose for you, but a spreader of love's flame.

1. When Moses saw the burning bush, he saw that it was different and as he drew close, God called out to Him. God showed up in an expression of fire that didn't kill the bush, but simply overwhelmed it and that expression caused Moses to come close. As we draw close to God, not only will He reveal more of His manifest glory and who He is, but it will cause us to become enveloped in love's flame so much that others will draw near to Him. **Exodus 3:1-6**
2. We must not become a people who simply watch God work in wonder and awe, we must draw close to Him in the revelation that He is not distant, but all around us. God doesn't want people drawn to a house of worship because of miracles, teaching, or music. All of these are good, but they are to be products of a burning flame and that flame of God's love would be the thing that draws people in.
3. The Lord desires us to be prisoners of His love so much that we can find no way out of His love, mercy, and presence. His love is jealous for us in a way that it alters us and transforms us. His love is as passionate as a mighty flash of fire consuming all that is surrendered to love's flame. Let us yield to the Lord in such a way that anything of us not aligned with Him will be burned up so we burn brighter. **Song of Solomon 8:6**
4. In, **2 Corinthians 5:14-15**, Paul talks about the motivation behind his life as a believer; that he has been so gripped by love (synecho, the Greek word used for "love controls us, or grips us tightly") that he has no choice but to surrender. Jesus redeemed us so that we would live in the expression of love that would bring His glory to this earth more and more through the burning flame of His church identified in His fire of love.