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Heaven's Heart

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Do you love God's word? I am sure you do. I was reading in Proverbs the other day and came across a section of scripture that seemed to scream at me, "This is what God's heart is like." Then I got to thinking that many of us across the country are reading our Bibles each day, and now and then we come across a section of scripture that feels as if God is in the room with us and speaking from the heart. When I came across the section in Proverbs, it took my breath away and I marveled at the greatness of our loving Father and His Son. I felt that these verses needed to be shared with others from one end of the earth to the other. But alas, there I was sitting alone with no one to share it with. **DO YOU EVER FEEL THIS WAY?**

I feel sure you do. Don't you think it is sad that we don't have more opportunities to share great discoveries about God's heart with many others? I do. It could be different. The next time you rejoice over a treasure you found in the Word, you could write down the reference information and send it to the editors of this literature. Then you can feel the joy of sharing God's heart (with others) as you travel through His brilliance. You would also feel good about contributing to lifting up your brethren, perhaps in a time of great need.

OH, I COULD NEVER...

Most people are 100% convinced that they could never write something that would build others and bring joy into their hearts. That's the beauty of this approach. You don't have to write in wonderful ways, all you need do is tell us which set of scriptures you came across and we'll set up the rest. If you did want to write some that would be great,

but it is not necessary. So, anyone could just email or pick up the phone and say "I found such and such a set of verses to speak to my heart about God's heart. If you were moved by the passage, it is most likely that others will be, too, so why not hunt down a little description of God's heart and share it with a bunch of your brethren?"

Here are the scriptures that I found:

FROM THE HEART OF OUR GLORIOUS GOD (NKJV)

"Turn at my rebuke; surely I will pour out my spirit on you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, I have stretched out my hand and no one regarded, because you disdained all my counsel, and would have none of my rebuke, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your terror comes, when your terror comes like a storm, and your destruction comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call on me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but they will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, they would have none of my counsel and despised my every rebuke. Therefore they shall eat the fruit of their own way, and be filled to the full with their own fancies. For the turning away of the simple will slay them, and the complacency of fools will destroy them; but whoever listens to me will dwell safely, and will be secure without fear of evil." (Proverbs 1:23-33)

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