

A man with dark hair, wearing a black long-sleeved shirt and khaki pants, is sitting on a set of train tracks. He is leaning forward with his head down, holding a pair of sunglasses in his hands. To his right, a train with green and yellow cars is visible. In the background, there are industrial structures, including a large red building and some pipes. The sky is overcast. The text 'He Does Care' is overlaid on the left side of the image in a blue, stylized font with white outlines and red hearts. The author's name 'By: Marius Hattingh' is at the bottom left.

He Does Care

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HIS THOUGHTS OF YOU

[Zephaniah 3:17 AMPC](#)

The Lord your God is in the midst of you, a Mighty One, a Savior [Who saves]! He will rejoice over you with joy; He will rest [in silent satisfaction] and in His love He will be silent and make no mention [of past sins, or even recall them]; He will exult over you with singing.

Many people, including believers, may have felt at some point that God was angry with them. The writing in Zephaniah clearly shows a different view & picture. The Scripture clearly shows that God is not angry with you. He rejoices over you. God loves you and wants to fellowship with you. That's the main reason He sent Jesus to die for you.

ALL THIS FOR YOU

God rejoices over you because He loves you with a love that cannot fail and does not end.

Jeremiah 31:3 AMPC

The Lord appeared from of old to me [Israel], saying, Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore with loving-kindness have I drawn you and continued My faithfulness to you. [Deut. 7:8.]

To some the argument might be that the statement was made in the old Testament. Yes true, but the good news is that God does not change.

All of this is an expression of His love for you. No matter who you are, God loves you so much that he sent Jesus to die for you.

For any person that might not understand it, can it be stated as follows: "What would the required action be for God towards mankind if He did not love the world?" The answer? Nothing. But God clearly showed His love toward mankind by sending Jesus.

[Romans 5:8 AMPC](#)

But God shows and clearly proves His [own] love for us by the fact that while we were still sinners, Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One) died for us.

GOD OF ALL AGES

Every person is subjected to change. The days change. The weather fluctuates. Even people experience change as they age. The best news, however, is that God the Father and Jesus do not change.

Malachi 3:6 AMPC

For I am the Lord, I do not change; that is why you, O sons of Jacob, are not consumed.

Hebrews 13:8 AMPC

Jesus Christ (the Messiah) is [always] the same, yesterday, today, [yes] and forever (to the ages).

AS YOU ARE

God loves us for who we are. If there is any person who knows you better than yourself, it is God.

Jeremiah 1:5 AMPC

*Before I formed you in the womb I knew [and] approved of you [as My chosen instrument], and before you were born I separated and set you apart, consecrating you; [and] I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.
[Exod. 33:12; Isa. 49:1, 5; Rom. 8:29.]*

It is also important to realize that God does not look at our outwards appearance, but he looks at the heart.

1 Samuel 16:7 AMPC

But the Lord said to Samuel, Look not on his appearance or at the height of his stature, for I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees; for man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.

Galatians 2:6 AMPC

Moreover, [no new requirements were made] by those who were reputed to be something—though what was their individual position and whether they really were of importance or not makes no difference to me; God is not impressed with the positions that men hold and He is not partial and recognizes no external distinctions—those [I say] who were of repute imposed no new requirements upon me [had nothing to add to my Gospel, and from them I received no new suggestions]. [Deut. 10:17.]

WHY ME

It is so important to know that firstly you are special to God, the Father, who loved you from creation and gave Jesus to die for you.

Romans 5:8 AMPC

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John 3:16 AMPC

For God so greatly loved and dearly prized the world that He [even] gave up His only begotten (unique) Son, so that whoever believes in (trusts in, clings to, relies on) Him shall not perish (come to destruction, be lost) but have eternal (everlasting) life.

The next question may be why did Jesus die for mankind? The answer to that question can be found in

Ezekiel 33:11 AMPC

Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Colossians 1:21-23 AMPC

And although you at one time were estranged and alienated from Him and were of hostile attitude of mind in your wicked activities, Yet now has [Christ, the Messiah] reconciled [you to God] in the body of His flesh through death, in order to present you holy and faultless and irreproachable in His [the Father's] presence. [And this He will do] provided that you continue to stay

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1 Timothy 2:3-4 AMPC

For such [praying] is good and right, and [it is] pleasing and acceptable to God our Savior, Who wishes all men to be saved and [increasingly] to perceive and recognize and discern and know precisely and correctly the [divine] Truth.

2 Peter 3:9 AMPC

The Lord does not delay and is not tardy or slow about what He promises, according to some people's conception of slowness, but He is long-suffering (extraordinarily patient) toward you, not desiring that any should perish, but that all should turn to repentance.

JESUS IS INVITING YOU

Jesus has already borne the cost for each individual. That enables everyone to come to Jesus. Jesus Himself also gave that invite.

[Matthew 11:28-30 AMPC](#)

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy-laden and overburdened, and I will cause you to rest. [I will ease and relieve and refresh your souls.] Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, for I am gentle (meek) and humble (lowly) in heart, and you will find rest (relief and ease and refreshment and recreation and blessed quiet) for your souls. [Jer. 6:16.] For My yoke is wholesome (useful, good—not harsh, hard, sharp, or pressing, but comfortable, gracious, and pleasant), and My burden is light and easy to be borne.

It therefore does not matter where a person might come from or what their background might be. Jesus is giving an invite to all to come to Him. The Lord does not take note of any form of human achievement or failure. It was mentioned earlier, concerning the fact that God does not look at or judge a person's outward appearance, as He looks at the heart.

[\(1 Samuel 16:7\)](#)

Paul also wrote that everyone who calls on Jesus will be saved

[Romans 10:13 AMPC](#)

For everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord [invoking Him as Lord] will be saved. [Joel 2:32.]

It can clearly be noted that God does not want any person to be lost. Make a special effort to allow Jesus to change your day and life.

PRAYER

Father God.

I come to you in the name of Jesus.

I believe with all my heart that you love me and care for me.

I also believe and confess that Jesus died on the cross for me.

I also believe and confess that Jesus rose on the 3rd day.

Lord Jesus, I come to you and ask you to please come into my life.

I ask you to be Lord of my life and my saviour.

Please wash me with your precious blood that you shed for me on the cross.

I thank you that I do believe, I am now saved.

Amen.