

**“MESSIAH SONGS:
JESUS SIGHTINGS IN THE PSALMS” Series**
The Five Sundays in Lent – Message #3 of 5

“EMBRACE THE LOVE”
*God’s tremendous and unfailing love for us far outweighs
and overcomes all that this worldly life has to offer.*

Psalm 31
March 15, 2020

1. REJOICE ... IN GOD’S LOVE – (v.7)

*“I will be glad and rejoice in your love,
For you saw my affliction
And knew the anguish of my soul.”*

*“The God of the Bible is not like the primitive deities who
demanded our blood for their wrath to be appeased.
Rather, this is a God who becomes human and offers his own
lifeblood in order to honor moral justice and merciful love so
that someday he can destroy all evil without destroying love.
There was a penalty to be borne -- God himself bore it.
Forgiveness is always a form of costly suffering.” – Tim Keller*

2. BASK ... IN GOD’S LOVE – (v.16-17)

*“Let your face shine on your servant;
Save me in your unfailing love.
Let me not be put to shame, O LORD,
For I have cried out to you.”*

*“All God’s children can know today that all of the things that
are out of their control are under the careful control of their
Heavenly Father.” – Paul David Tripp*

3. PRAISE ... GOD FOR HIS LOVE – (v.21)

*“Praise be to the Lord,
For he showed his wonderful love to me
When I was in a besieged city.”*

*“We are concerned with how things turn out;
God seems more concerned with how we turn out.”
- Philip Yancey, Author*

4. LOVE ... THE LORD FOR HIS LOVE – (v.23)

*“Love the LORD, all his saints!
The LORD preserves the faithful,
But the proud he pays back in full.”*

*“Peace isn’t the absence of pain; It is the presence of God in
the midst of life’s troubles.” – Tony Evans*

Be strong

and **take heart,**

all you who hope **in the LORD.** – verse 24