

Norwin Alliance Church

"Loving God, One Another and Making Disciples"

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Hens and the Higher Love of God Shelli Prindle

- God's love catapults us into our full salvation, passion for service, confidence for the Day of Judgment, and love for others.
 - o Isaiah 30:15, I John 4:9, I John 4:17-19
- God's love is infinitely higher than human love.
 - o Psalm 36:5, Psalm 103:11, Ephesians 3:19
 - God helps us to grasp the transcendence of His love with a comparison to the height of the heavens above us. (Expanding universe)
- God's love does not vacillate.
 - In a culture marked by insecurity and fluctuation, we can depend on the unchanging love of God.
 - 401(k)'s, medical charts, social engagements, "likes" on Facebook, etc. vs. Romans 8:38-39
- God is transcendent (holy).
 - God is above and beyond us and this world; therefore, He is altogether different.
 - Revelation 4:8 God's love is holy love.
- God's love is reliable.
 - He does not grow tired, get sick, or die. (Isaiah 40:28)
 - He does not forget or neglect us. (Isaiah 49:15)
 - He never fails to show up. (Psalm 104:3)
 - He is not selfish. (Deuteronomy 32:4)
- God is faithful, even when we are not.
 - o Psalm 115:1, II Timothy 2:11-13
 - o When we are faithless, God's faithfulness remains; He catapults us back to our walk with Him.
- God's love is action, not reaction.
 - o I John 4:10
 - We do not deserve His love, and we never will. Love is defined as His love reaching to us before we could ever reach out to Him.
 - o John 3:36
 - God sent Jesus to be the propitiation for our sins. The wrath of God no longer abides on us!
- God's love reaches down.
 - Psalm 36:7 We all long to be under the shadow of His wings.
 - o Matthew 23:37
 - How amazing that Jesus, the Son of God, would liken Himself to a domestic fowl in order to express His longing to hide us in the shadow of His wings and care for us – rebellious though we are!