Psalm 116

with Matthew 20:20-23; 26:26-29, 39



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LEAD-IN: I love the Lord, because He hears

My voice and my pleas.

Because He has inclined His ear to me,

Therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live.

(Psalm 116:1-2, NASB)

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Reflection on Psalm 116

Almighty God, I love You

because You first loved me (1 John 4:19).

Though You are the

Source and

Sustainer

of a reality vast beyond my imagination,

Your love for me is

personal,

complete, and

intense.

When I call to You,

infinitely small as I am,

You hear,

You answer, and

You give me Your very best.

You are gracious,

compassionate,

infinitely good, and

always right.

As I rest in You,

You rescue

my life from death,

my eyes from tears,

my feet from stumbling.

You give me the

security and

privilege

of walking day by day in Your very presence.

So how can I thank You

for all You do for me?

What response is appropriate?

I want to worship You

as Jesus worshipped You,

Your holy, perfect Son.

I want to worship You

constantly,

completely,

with all my heart,

with all I have,

with all I am.

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I want to lay down my life for Your glory,
drinking the cup of sacrifice that He drank (Matthew 20:20-23) and lifting the cup of redemption that He poured for me with His own blood (Matthew 26:26-29).

All this I long to do in the presence of all Your people, so that they may see how very great and good and gracious

You are!

O Lord, my God,
I love You!
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