

## CONGRADULATIONS

**RENEE GISTAND**, graduates with a **B.S** in economics from St Mary's , and is headed to Cal-poly for her Masters.

**PRECIOUS NWAKADU** graduates with a B.A from U C Berkeley, this year, while finishing her last term paper, she brought for a new born, little Faithfulness.

**DAWN McCLEOD** graduates Bachelor's Degree in Human Development from California State University East Bay in Hayward. Headed for her Masters, as well.

**JESHAWNA HARRELL**, Graduated from law school, and is presently preparing for her board test.

**JENEA BROWN**, **JESHAWNA's** sister, passed the board and is ready to practice law, having graduated from Santa Clara University last year!

**WITH THE EXCEPTION OF RENEE, AND JENEA, these** are all mothers accomplishing this!

We have middle school and High school grads I'm sure. And I want to once again encourage all of them to press forward with a clear goal of educational success.

And with the intent of using their gifts to serve and honor both their parents and our Heavenly Father , our eternal resource through Jesus Christ our LORD!

## Pastor's Commentary And Outline

### The blessed Effects of the Love of God in the Soul.

*And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. Romans, 5:5*

When he (God) hath mercifully induced sorrow, and disappointment, and vexation; and sickened the heart, in the pursuit of all creature comforts: having thus driven all buyers and sellers out of the temple, a fit habitation is then formed, for Jesus himself to enter in. The heart melts under a deep sense, of its own folly, and ingratitude, towards God, and God's goodness towards him. And full of these impressions, the believer is driven to his knees, in prayer, to confess his vileness and God's mercy. His language then is; *I have seen an end of all perfection. Whom have I in heaven but thee, and there is none upon earth, that I desire beside thee. My flesh and my heart faileth, but God, is the strength of my heart and my portion for ever.*

These are precious testimonies, of the Spirit's influence, in confirmation of the doctrine of the text. The love of God, is indeed, shed abroad by his power, when all creature affections, are lessened, or removed, to make space, for the full reception of the Redeemer. And in proportion, as this blessed principle prevails, so all others die away.

You may therefore estimate, your own exact situation of character, in this particular, by this unerring standard. And depend upon it, according to the degree of estimation, in which the Lord Jesus is held by you, such more or less, is the Spirit's operation of this blessed gift in the heart: for your affection can proceed, from no other source. In those happy souls, where this influence is largely extended, there will be no apprehension, no distrust, no deadness to divine things, no anxious solicitude for earthly pursuits, no spirit of bondage, no guilty frames; *for perfect love casteth out fear.* The Holy Ghost, sheds abroad the love of God, with such fullness, and sovereignty, that it sweeps away as an over powering torrent, all other considerations.  
*Robert Hawker*

**Outline for the message: “Naaman, the leper: Christ your only hope”**

**2kg 5:10-27**

**(1) Vs 11,12 He was furious/ and went away in a rage:** *A 3 fold problem: the humility of faith / the simplicity of the gospel/ The pride of self preservation:*

**(2) Vs 13 We must be convinced by God, to come, to Christ:**  
John 16:8/ John 6:45 / 44/ 65 - Gal5:8 / Acts 26:28.

**(3) Vs 14: Then went He down: A perfect death ( 7 ) in Christ!** Lev 14:1-7 ( Law of leper, in the day of his cleansing ) Luke 17:14

**(4) Healed AND saved!** 14-10 -13: Ezek 36:25 / Ps 51: 10 / “ 4fold evidence”

**(5) Vs 20-24: The anticlimactic warning:** Gen 3:1/ Luke 12:45/ Heb 13;5,6

**(6) He took God’s name in vain:** “ As the Lord liveth ” 2Peter 2:3, 14,15/Col 3:2,5 - an insane lust: Ex 18:21 / Jer 6:13/ Ezek 33:31/ Eph 5:3

**(7) 25,26: God saw it:** Prov 15:3/ 2chron 16:9/ Rev 2:23 / Gehazi a foreshadow of the unbelieving Jewish people, Judas, and the Sanhedrin. The curse of covetousness. Naaman the New Testament, Gentile churches!

## HAPPY FATHER’S DAY!

*We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old. Ps 44:1*

*My dear Father brethren, I want to honor you today for your part in the grand scheme of the Almighty. He has chosen to use you, to bring life into the world. This is both an honor and a privilege. The God of life, fruitfulness and plenty, is reflected in the Father’s role.*

*As our Heavenly Father, the giver of every good and perfect gift,. the provider, preserver and protector of His own, we have a great example of Fatherhood amongst the triune God.*

*The Father’s provision of Christ , His Son, for the redemption of our soul as His all to us for our eternal good, means we are the givers. The givers. The givers. And we need His eternal resources to do just that. “Oh, God, fill us with the fullness of yourself, so that we may fill our families with your goodness, so that they may glorify you with the whole of their lives.”*

*I urge you to be men, and, to take your responsibility serious. To take the time to speak to teach and guide your sons and daughters, in the gospel way. To love them with a manly love. A courageous and deliberate love. A love that is rooted in godliness and truth, with valor!*

*Tell them about Jesus, as our text says. And let them know , that Christ is the end and goal of our lives, and that on the way, we will have joys and pains. It’s part of the process! It’s Ok!*

*We are headed for some seriously difficult times. Times which require men to be on duty. Praying, reading, watching, telling, and fighting for the family is a full time service!*

Fathers, may God cause all grace to abound, may He strengthen you for this work! Amen