

God's Definition of Unfailing Love

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Text: John 3:16-17, Romans 5:8

Introduction:

You won't find GOD'S definition of Agape in a book;
instead you'll see it on a Cross.

Jesus perfectly _____ Agape.

At Calvary, Jesus:

• Was being punished for the sins of _____.

• Was _____ as badly as a human being can
_____ — in fact, more so. God can _____

worse than we can!

• Didn't have to continue to _____, but He
still _____ to.

Jesus made an intentional _____ to sacrifice
himself for a purpose: our _____.

Jesus' love at Calvary is exactly the kind of love that can
_____ a _____.

*Undisciplined people confuse the difficult for the impossible.
God never asks us to accomplish the impossible, but He does ask
us to accomplish the difficult.*

Here's how you can act like Christ in a painful or difficult

_____:

- _____ in there, even if it is painful right now.
- _____ forward (Hebrews 12:1-3). Begin to visualize how much better it will eventually be!
- _____. They really don't know what they are doing, even if they think they do.
- Seek _____. Maybe you're also causing pain in this relationship.

DECISION POINTS

1. Do I truly understand how much of a price Christ paid to fix my relationship with HIM? Have I received His forgiveness and responded to Him with love?

2. Am I willing to be Christ-like in my personal relationships, even if it means hanging on a cross for a while in my marriage, with another person in my family, or with a friend or coworker? Am I willing to take someone else off the cross I've nailed them to and stop making them suffer?
