

# *The Art of Sitting In the Greatest Love of All*

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## **I found love **in** You**

Isn't it funny to 'find' something that has actually always been there. The love of Yeshua was there for us since the beginning of time but I finally 'found' it. The Word says to 'seek' and ye shall find. That divine curiosity drives us to find His love, amidst the chaos and culture's enticement, that's been there waiting...all this time.

It says 'I found love **IN** you.' It reminds me of P. Hannah's sermon statement of being **IN** His love. That is a powerful preposition of being fully surrounded and encapsulated by His love.

## **And I've learned to love me too**

This line hit me hard and exemplifies why His love is the greatest. Many of us deal with not loving ourselves and thinking we are not valuable. Our culture's consumerist system thrives off of this insecurity. I saw myself as broken due to my stutter, and other characteristics society doesn't see as valuable. God had His work cut out for Him when He was teaching me to see myself as He sees me; to love me as He loves me. And now He's teaching me to see others, with **emerald** eyes as He sees them. *I am* His masterpiece. *We are* His masterpieces.

## **Never have I felt that I could be all that You see**

This line rocked me as well and was highlighted in the art of sitting sermon. When you get to the place of needlessness and God moves you from receiving help to being the help, what an elevation. God sees what we can be. He knows what He put inside of us. He sees the potential. I heard someone say, "Genein, I know you believe in God but do you know how much He believes in you?" God wants us to radiate out His love; He sees it but do we believe it for us?

## **It's like our hearts have intertwined into the perfect harmony**

When I got in step with the massiveness yet simpleness of His love for me, it was like we started a beautiful harmonious dance. A harmony is two different notes, a lower one and a Higher one but they sound so beautiful together. His higher notes will take you to the higher realm, above the heavens, if you trust Him and grow with Him though every season.

I often said walking in faith with Yeshua is like salsa dancing with a really GREAT salsa partner. You have to be sensitive with the slightest nudge, a twist of the finger or minute gesture as to know when to get ready for a turn, flip or dip. Or directional shift. The subtlest motion can turn into the grandest move that makes for such an adventures choreographed life, *if* you're in harmony with Yeshua. "But those who entwine their hearts with Yahweh will experience divine strength." Isaiah 40:31

## **This is why I love you. This is why I love you, because You [first] loved me, You love me**

He first loved me. Before I even took my first breath, He knew me and had my book already written. He's just waiting for me to start what's already blessed and finished. He actually *believes* I can do this. That's what keeps me going. The audacity of hope.

## I found love in You and no other love will do

There's no turning back. I'm in too deep...in the deep. ;) I've seen too much. No other false love or superficial love will do. We live in a world of idol worship – though we no longer have golden calves, we have our cars, big houses, titles, and even 'good things' like our family, food, or our ministry that can become idols when they are misplaced in our life. As long as I'm 'in' His love, fully surrounded, no other love will do.

## Every moment that You smile, chases all of the pain away

In the sermon, at 36:50, P. Joshua said, "This is a place that is waiting on you. This is a place for you, where *He's smiling at you*," The below image of, 'The Blessing' is what I sing to my son every night since he was born. I bless him but I sometimes forget God is smiling on me, and blesses me, as well. I often see my 'diamond clues' (you call them God winks) as Him smiling on me saying, "I see you. Keep going!" His smile illuminates my life. I guess that's why He wants us to smile at His other children. We spread His joy and light, that could chase their pain away, when we share His love through a smile.

## Forever and a while, in my heart is where you'll stay

Who can separate us from the love of God? Who?

His address permanently is in my heart.

## This is why I love You.

Lord Bless You! <sup>71x oh</sup> 207

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### When God Smiles פנים

— YACOH (oh) Psalm 67:1

THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU; THE LORD MAKE HIS FACE TO SHINE UPON YOU AND BE GRACIOUS TO YOU; THE LORD LIFT UP HIS COUNTENANCE UPON YOU AND GIVE YOU PEACE. SO SHALL THEY PUT MY NAME UPON THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL, AND I WILL BLESS THEM."

NUMBERS 6:24-27

Light Panim (face)

Faces pop up frequently in conversation: a face-off, a slap in the face, a poked face. Twice in the priestly blessing, God's panim ("face") does something; it shines and is lifted up. This shining face is not the same as our "glowing face" in English. When God's face illumines, he is (gracious) and saves (Ps. 31:16). He enlightens our darkness. Likewise, when he "lifts up his panim" he looks with favor. A smile spreads across his face, filling us with peace. God's shining and smiling face, along with the threefold repetition of his name on us, is how he blesses us.

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When Jesus was transfigured before his disciples, his face shone like the sun (Matt. 17:2), "for God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ" (2 Cor. 4:6). In the face of Jesus, we see the Father's smile of grace and favor, for in him we are blessed by the Spirit.

"Restore us, O God of hosts! Let your face shine, that we may be saved!" (Ps. 80:7).

215 (5457) Chr, phos = Light, to give light, to illuminate Isaiah 60