The Love of Christ – Kimo Hoopai July 124, 2022 To grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ

<u>Ephesians 3:18 NLT</u> And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is.

Notes from Life Application Study Bible: God's Love is total, says Paul. It reachs every corner of our experience. God's love is wide – it covers the breadth of our own experience and it reaches out to the whole world. God's love is long – it extends throughout our lives and into eternity. God's love is high – it rises to the heights of our celebration and elation. God's love deep – it reaches to the depths of discouragement, despair and even death. When you feel shut out or isolated, remember you that can never be lost to God's love.

1. Demonstrates Love <u>John 15:13 NIV</u> Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.

<u>John 3:16 NIV</u> For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that everyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

James 4:8a NIV Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you.

- **2. Example of Love** Ephesians 5:25-27 NIV 25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her 26 to sanctify her, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, 27 and to present her to Himself as a glorious church, without stain or wrinkle or any such blemish, but holy and blameless.

 Psalm 103:11-13 NIV 11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His loving devotion for those who fear Him. 12 As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. 13 As a father has compassion on
- **3. Nothing Can Separate Us** Romans 8:38-39 NIV ₃₈For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ₃₉neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

<u>1John 3:1 NIV</u> See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Hebrews 13:5 NIV Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Psalm 136:26 NIV Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Closing: God's Love is much greater than our eyes can see, we need to Believe

his children.