

YOU WILL NEVER FULLY GRASP THE LOVE OF GOD IF YOU DO NOT INTIMATELY KNOW THE ONE HE SENT TO EXPRESS THAT LOVE. "INFLUENCE FROM THE ENEMY IN TODAY'S SOCIETY IS STRONG, AND WE ARE BOMBARDED FROM ALMOST EVERY ANGLE WITH THE WORLD'S DEFINITION OF LOVE. IS IT POSSIBLE THAT EVEN AS CHRISTIANS WE HAVE BECOME DESENSITIZED TO THE TRUE MEANING OF LOVE AND HAVE ALLOWED OURSELVES TO VIEW LOVE (EVEN GOD'S LOVE) MORE FROM THE WORLD'S STANDARDS THAN FROM GOD'S STANDARDS? HAVE WE PERHAPS BEEN SEEKING SIGNIFICANCE AND FULFILLMENT FROM HUMAN EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE RATHER THAN CLINGING TO THE ONE WHO IS THE ULTIMATE EXPRESSION OF TRUE LOVE? NO HUMAN BEING EXISTS (OR HAS EVER EXISTED) THAT CAN EXPRESS TRUE AND PURE LOVE AS GOD HAS THROUGH HIS SON JESUS." -SOURCE UNKNOWN

"BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US" IS A STORY OF CHRIST'S LOVE WRITTEN TO LEAD YOU BACK INTO HIS LOVING ARMS. IN THIRTEEN LESSONS, WE WILL WALK TOGETHER WITH THE DISCIPLES THROUGH THE DAYS AND MOMENTS LEADING UP TO THE CRUCIFIXION, RESURRECTION, AND ASCENSION OF CHRIST. AS THEIR OWN MISCONCEPTIONS, DOUBTS, AND FAILURES BEGIN TO SURFACE, YOU WILL SEE AND IDENTIFY THE VERY THINGS THAT ARE KEEPING YOU FROM EXPERIENCING HIS EXTRAVAGANT LOVE.

CHILD, HE HAS BROUGHT YOU TO THIS PLACE TO WASH AWAY EVERY MISCONCEPTION YOU HAVE EVER HAD OF HIS LOVE. IT IS MY HOPE THAT YOU COME TO KNOW THE ONE WHO FIRST LOVED YOU.

BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US,
JULIE WEST
COFFEE TALK WOMEN'S MINISTRY