

God's Love Reaches

Luke 23:32-43

**What can keep God's
love from reaching out
to me?**

God's love reaches beyond ...

1. Our Blasphemy v.39

- Blasphemy - to vilify, defame, speak evil of/against; to hinder/hurt
- "If you are ..." Verses 35-36, 39
- Ex: Paul – I Timothy 1:12-15

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2. Our Doubt v.39

- **“If” verses 35-36, 39**
- **Ex: Thomas – John 11:16; 14:5; 20:24-29**

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3. Our Arrogance v.40-41

- No fear of God
- There appears to be no hope; refusal to recognize hope.
- Ex: Nebuchadnezzar – Daniel 4

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4. What We Deserve v.41

- We deserve death. Romans 6:23
- We deserve God's wrath.
Romans 1:18, Ephesians 5:6
- Ex: Woman caught in adultery
John 8:2-11

**What can keep God's love from
reaching out to me?**

Nothing!

Romans 8:35, 38-39

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or sword? ... For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is found in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Applications

- 1. Accept and trust His gift of love today.**
- 2. In humble gratitude, thank God for His love on a daily basis.**
- 3. Be careful not to diminish God's love by what I say and the way I live.**