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The earth is filled with your love, O Lord; teach me your decrees. Do good to your servant according to your word, O Lord. Teach me knowledge and good judgment, for I believe in your commands. —**Psalm 119:64-66**

Most believers are so disconnected from the reality of God's astonishing, frightfully lavish love for us that they totally miss out on 99 percent of what they could experience in their everyday walk with Christ. They treat God like an employer, a business partner, a judge, a traffic cop—anything but a lover. They rarely feel His passion, love, or pleasure. Perhaps they tell themselves that feeling it is not all that important, as long as they are obeying His commands, reading the Bible, and keeping up the spiritual disciplines. But as a consequence of this dryness, they rarely feel love or pleasure of any kind. Most believers put prayer in the “sacrifices-I-make-for-God” category, but that only happens when you live with a total misconception of who God is. When we look into His heart, He reveals to us what He looks like emotionally and what we look like to Him. The result turns our brains and hearts inside out. You can't get over it! It's like falling in love for the first time. He absolutely burns with love for you!

{ PRAYER STARTER }

Father, I don't want to miss one fraction of 1 percent of what You have planned for me. I'm ready, O God, to do or be whatever You want me to do or be.

**You have to understand: God is not a boring fuddy-duddy
who wears slippers and putters around heaven
feeling constantly perturbed.**