Title: Relentless love

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Jeremiah 31:3 NIV

³ The LORD appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with loving-kindness."

A. 1. A GOD called love

I John 4:16 ESV

¹⁶ So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

2. Cosmic mystery – the choice for humans

Ephesians 3:9a, 10 NKJV

 9 and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery... 10 to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places.

3. Vulnerable to open secrets, straying hearts

Jehovah Qana – overwhelmingly desirous, protective, possessive, envious

Exodus 20:5a

⁵ you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God...

Exodus 34:14

¹⁴ for you shall worship no other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God

James 4:5 AMP

⁵ Or do you suppose that the Scripture is speaking to no purpose that says, The Spirit Whom He has caused to dwell in us yearns over us and He yearns for the Spirit [to be welcome] with a jealous love?

4. Sympathetic creation

Deuteronomy 4:24

²⁴ For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.

Psalm 104:4, 6-7, 29a

- ⁴ Who makes His angels spirits, His ministers a flame of fire.
- ⁶ You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains. ⁷ At Your rebuke they fled; at the voice of Your thunder they hastened away.
- ²⁹ You hide Your face, they are troubled...

Matthew 27:46, 50-51

- ⁴⁶ And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"
- ⁵⁰ And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit. ⁵¹ Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split.

Hebrews 12:26, 29

²⁶ whose voice then shook the earth; but now He has promised, saying, "Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also heaven."

²⁹ For our God is a consuming fire.

Joel 2:28-32

²⁸ And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. ²⁹ And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. ³⁰ And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: blood and fire and pillars of smoke. ³¹ The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. ³² And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the LORD has said, among the remnant whom the LORD calls.

5. Worship in Spirit and truth

John 4:24

²⁴ God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.

Hebrews 4:12

¹² For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.