

## *Your Love for God*

A woman was very fearful about the outcome of the surgery she faced. Doctors had not been able to discover the reason for her symptoms, and cancer seemed a real possibility.

To add to her concern, she had little in savings, and being self-employed, had no insurance or paid sick leave.

As her day of surgery drew closer, she found herself reading her Bible more and more frequently. A passage in Habakkuk puzzled her. The prophet obviously knew his nation was about to be invaded and ravaged, but he said, “Though the fig tree may not blossom, nor fruit on the vines; though the labor of the olive may fail, and the fields yield no food; though the flock may be cut off from the fold, and there be no herd in the stalls – yet I will rejoice in the Lord” (Habakkuk 3:17-18).

She began to reflect on the fact that God was always with her and always loved her. Instead of a request for healing, finances or peace, her main prayer became simply, “I love You, too! I love you, too!”

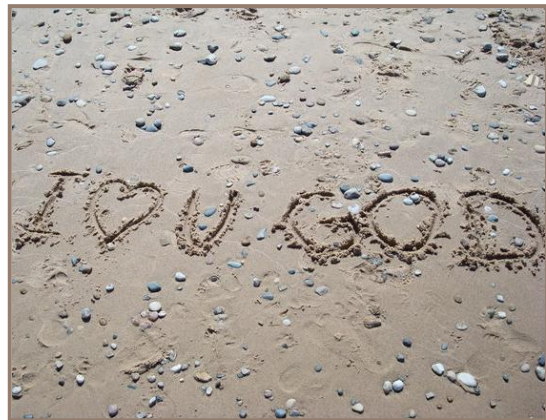
As it turned out, surgeons removed a benign cyst. Her recovery passed quickly. Friends helped with meals, laundry, housecleaning, errands and even a mortgage payment.

She reflected later, “This experience made my love for God grow deeper. And that was far more important than a good medical report.”

If you are facing a burdensome situation today, reflect on God’s love for you, and the blessings He has showered upon you. Remember His faithfulness in the past.

Then, with joy in your heart, tell God how much you love Him.

He is your Heavenly Father, and no prayer of adoration will ever soar higher than a simple cry: “I love You, God!”



– Beecher Hunter