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We trembled at, *Prepare to meet thy God*. This is the remedy. Paul taught that knowing the love of Christ is a great priority. He prayed earnestly for Spirit power for Ephesus to know it. He listed four dimensions making it comprehensive for you. He wrote that it passed human knowledge to fully grasp it. Knowing it rightly could fill you with all the fulness of God. Christ's love for Paul is what drove him like no other man.

For the love of Christ constraineth us;
because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:
And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth
live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.

II Corinthians 5:14-15

Imagine the Greatest Love Story

1. A very rich man chooses to marry ... a very poor girl.
2. He is noble and gracious ... she is rebelliously odious.
3. He is also handsome and strong ... she is rather ugly.
4. His reputation is most eligible ... she not known at all.
5. He is totally committed to love ... she happily takes it.
6. He is gentle, kind, and forgiving ... she tries to learn.
7. They have the wedding of the century to tie the knot.

Christ's Love of Us Is Infinitely Better

No matter how extreme we make the difference between the man and the woman, it is not enough to rightly show the difference between Jesus and us.

Can We Do this Reverently and Soberly?

Can a comparison like this be used acceptably to exalt the love of Christ by its infinite superiority by each measure and especially by the combination of all of them?

The Bible and We Have Done It Before

- In 2009, I preached, *The Love of God*, with slides, based on a mother's nursing love.

Can a woman forget her sucking child,
that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb?
yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.

Isaiah 49:15

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- The same sermon series then considered an eagle with her young from Deut 32:11.
- The same sermons then considered parents deserting, but not God, from Ps 27:10.
- The sermons compared God as a far superior father for giving from Matthew 7:9-11.
- The sermons compared a father's pity toward children as inferior from Ps 103:13-14.
- The sermons compared a father's loving chastening to God's from Hebrews 12:5-10.
- The sermons in 265 slides had many more comparisons / explanations of God's love.

Let Us Do It Again Compared to a Husband's Love

- For the Bible clearly and extensively compares Jesus and husbands in Eph 5:25-32.

Husbands, love your wives, even as
Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;
That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the
washing of water by the word,
That he might present it to himself a glorious church,
not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing;
but that it should be holy and without blemish.
So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies.
He that loveth his wife loveth himself.
For no man ever yet hated his own flesh;
but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:

Ephesians 5:25-29

For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother,
and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

Ephesians 5:30-32

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They say, If a man put away his wife, and she go from him,
and become another man's, shall he return unto her again?
shall not that land be greatly polluted? but thou hast played the
harlot with many lovers; yet return again to me, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 3:1

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Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold,
thy time was the time of love; and I spread my skirt over thee,
and covered thy nakedness: yea, I sware unto thee,
and entered into a covenant with thee, saith
the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.

Ezekiel 16:8

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- Paul made a comparison of God's love to a man dying for a good man in Rom 5:6-8.
- Isaiah made comparison to a rejected wife and a vineyard in Is 54:1-10; 5:4; 27:2-4.
- Many more are in the Bible e.g. Hosea married a harlot and had children, etc., etc.

Here Are a Few Factors to Remember

1. All traits are in the Bible, even His eye and hair color.
2. Jesus is God e.g. Creator, so some overlap with God.
3. This is not for intellectual creativity but soul revival.
4. Ignore any weakness in any comparison to see Jesus.
5. Love every verse shared for His personal love for you.
6. Some verses may be used more than once for cause.
7. You are welcome to create a few of your own of Him.

Here is the last paragraph of 21 for the commentary on 5:19 of 915 verses.

The Lord's soon return will bring a marriage where the Bridegroom and bride are perfect. There will be no longing for another, for He will be gloriously magnificent to an infinite degree beyond anything you can or will imagine, and He will have made you perfectly beautiful for Him

(Ps 45:10-15; Eph 5:25-27; Rev 19:7-8).

Come quickly, Lord Jesus!

The Lord sent it at 12:10 Thursday as I finished justifying our comparison.

Jesus Christ's love for us is a key theme of the gospel ... so these slides are to make the verses of the Bible personal, real, powerful, persuasive, convicting.

The most important part of each slide is
the Bible in a blue font, not the
comparative statements.

The Choice

Exceptional Man

I have picked you from ignorance, obscurity, and poverty to be my wife.

Jesus Christ

I chose you from depravity, death, and damnation to be my wife.

Ephesians 2:1-7

And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;
Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

Love

Exceptional Man

I love you, and I give you my whole human heart, completely and only yours, for my life.

Jesus Christ

I love you, and I have always loved you, and my love is not general, but exclusive and special, and I loved you even before time.

John 15:9

As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

Malachi 1:2-3

I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us?

Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,

And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.

II Corinthians 5:14

For the love of Christ constraineth us....

Sacrifice of Love

Exceptional Man

They say I gave up many beautiful women for you, but my love for you sees no other.

Jesus Christ

I gave up heaven's throne to be very poor on earth and died a crucifixion death for you.

Philippians 2:5-8

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:
Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:
But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant,
and was made in the likeness of men:
And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself,
and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Dramatic Love

Exceptional Man

I am highly respected, sought after, honored,
and counted eligible in the eyes of the world.

Jesus Christ

I am the Desire of all Nations, and all God's
elect waited for me to come and visit them,
and my focus from eternity was on you.

Haggai 2:7

And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come:
and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.

Luke 2:10-11

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold,
I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Zechariah 9:9

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem:
behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation....

Failed Relationships

Exceptional Man

I need to admit a couple failed relationships in my past, but you do not need to worry.

Jesus Christ

I have loved only you; I will always love only you; I am totally committed to you; and I have never failed in my love, and I never will.

Deuteronomy 7:7-8

The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: But because the LORD loved you....

Matthew 7:23

And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

John 6:38-39

For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.... That of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day.

Past of Love

Exceptional Man

I have loved you from the very moment our eyes first met.

Jesus Christ

I chose to love you and have loved you from before the world began with an everlasting love.

Jeremiah 31:3

The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying,
Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love:
therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.

Ephesians 1:4

According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world,
that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

Future of Love

Exceptional Man

I will love you forever (or at least until I die).

Jesus Christ

I have already loved you from eternity and will love you through eternity.

Romans 8:35-37

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

II Thessalonians 2:16

Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us,
and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

Promise of Love

Exceptional Man

I will not change my mind. I am all yours.

Jesus Christ

I cannot change, at all, I am exactly what I am, and I will be the very same tomorrow.

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

Psalms 102:27

But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end.

Exodus 3:14

And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM:
and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel,
I AM hath sent me unto you.

Duration of Love

Exceptional Man

“Till death do us part,” is the longest and most I can promise; no man can do more.

Jesus Christ

At death I will take you to a mansion to love you forever, raise your body and glorify it, and all this goodness ... *“till death do us start.”*

John 14:2-3

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so,
I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again,
and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Philippians 1:21-23

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.
For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart,
and to be with Christ; which is far better

Guarantee of Love

Exceptional Man

I hope nothing happens to our relationship as long as we live.

Jesus Christ

Not anything in heaven or earth, now or later, no matter how bad, can affect our relationship, and I cannot die.

Romans 8:38-39

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 creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hebrews 7:23-25

And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death: But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

Visual of Love

Exceptional Man

Look in my eyes and see my love.

Jesus Christ

Look at my hands and my feet and see my love.

John 20:27-28

Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands;
and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.
And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

Revelation 5:6

And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts,
and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain,

Passion of Love

Exceptional Man

I can be quite passionate. I intend to show you deep, intense human emotion.

Jesus Christ

I am Passion. I willingly went to a Roman cross for you; I sweat as it were great drops of blood, and my hours before it were moving.

Luke 22:15

And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer:

Luke 22:44

And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

Philippians 2:8

And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Response of Love

Exceptional Man

When you look at me like that, I just have to love you back.

Jesus Christ

I loved you when you were a rebel sinner, hated me, and were my enemy, and I never thought of giving up.

Romans 5:8-10

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son,
much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

Conditional Love

Exceptional Man

If you love someone else, and I cannot win you back, then our relationship is over.

Jesus Christ

If you love another, then I will win you back, for I am totally committed to you by my death, which made you perfect for me forever.

Hosea 11:1-4

I taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms;
but they knew not that I healed them.

I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love:
and I was to them as they that take off the yoke on their jaws,
and I laid meat unto them.

Ezekiel 16:60

Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with thee in the days of thy youth,
and I will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant.

Wealth

Exceptional Man

I am the richest man in the world (at least for this year according to Forbes).

Jesus Christ

I created the heavens and the earth and own all things in them (like mineral / metal rights) forever.

Psalm 50:10-12

For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills.
I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine.
If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof.

Haggai 1:7-9

And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come:
and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.
The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts.

Authority

Exceptional Man

I sit on the boards of seven companies and have considerable business and political influence .

Jesus Christ

I am the King of kings and Lord of lords and Blessed and Only Potentate and rule the seen and unseen universe.

I Timothy 6:15

Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate,
the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

Revelation 19:16

And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written,
KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

Homes

Exceptional Man

I have a home in the Hamptons, another in Miami, but I will build you one in Hawaii.

Jesus Christ

I am finishing a mansion for you in heaven, and it has been planned from eternity for you.

John 14:2-3

In my Father's house are many mansions:
if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself;
that where I am, there ye may be also.

Matthew 25:34

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father,
inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

Bodyguards

Exceptional Man

I will give you your own bodyguard to protect you while I am away from the home.

Jesus Christ

I rule all principalities, powers, dominion, might, and thrones in the universe. Nothing can touch you.

Ephesians 1:21-22

Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion,
and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come.
And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church

Psalms 34:7

The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

Psalms 91:11-12

For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.
They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Servants

Exceptional Man

I will hire enough domestic help that you will not have to do much at all, darling.

Jesus Christ

I have an innumerable company of angels, and they are your servants, and they will take care of you in life and in death.

Hebrews 1:13-14

But to which of the angels said he at any time,
Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?
Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister
for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

Luke 16:22

And it came to pass, that the beggar died,
and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom:

Appearance

Exceptional Man

Others consider me attractive, and *People* magazine included me in their Best Looking.

Jesus Christ

I am Beauty in the superlative and to see me in my glorified state would overwhelm you.

Zechariah 9:17

For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty!

Psalms 45:2

Thou art fairer than the children of men.

Revelation 1:13-17

And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead.

(see also Hebrews 1:3; Song of Solomon 5:10-16)

Eyes

Exceptional Man

I have brown eyes.

Jesus Christ

My eyes are like a flame of fire.

Revelation 1:14

His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow;
and his eyes were as a flame of fire;

Revelation 19:12

His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns;
and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

Hair

Exceptional Man

I have brown hair.

Jesus Christ

My hair is white like wool but covered with many crowns.

Revelation 1:14

His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow;

Revelation 19:12

His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns;
and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

Contentment

Exceptional Man

I am content with you the way you are (though you know you have some bodily deficiencies).

Jesus Christ

I will make you perfectly attractive, gloriously beautiful, and greatly desirable to me.

Psalm 45:11

So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he is thy Lord; and worship thou him.

Song of Solomon 7:10

I am my beloved's, and his desire is toward me.

Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty;
he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy;
he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

Eye Candy

Exceptional Man

You look so good tonight. Your dress is very becoming. I am proud to have you on my arm.

Jesus Christ

You are perfect forever in your one and only dress. I see only your absolute perfection, which will never change.

Ephesians 5:26-27

That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,
That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot,
or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Revelation 19:7-8

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage
of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.
And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen,
clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

Honest

Exceptional Man

I will try to always tell the truth.

Jesus Christ

I am the Truth; I am called Faithful and True.

John 14:6

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life:

Revelation 19:11

And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse;
and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True.

Lying

Exceptional Man

I promise to do my best to never lie to you.

Jesus Christ

I cannot lie to you, or even change my mind,
no matter what.

I Samuel 15:29

And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent:
for he is not a man, that he should repent.

Titus 1:2

In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

Faithful

Exceptional Man

I will try to always be faithful.

Jesus Christ

I am Faithful.

Revelation 19:11

And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse;
and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True.

Revelation 3:14

These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness.

Righteous

Exceptional Man

I will try not to do wrong. I want to only do what is right with all my heart.

Jesus Christ

I cannot do wrong, for I hate wickedness, and I love righteousness, and God knows it. I am holy, undefiled, and separate from sinners.

Hebrews 1:9

Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

Hebrews 7:26

For such a high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens;

Happiness

Exceptional Man

I will do my best to make you happy for the rest of your life.

Jesus Christ

I will give you joy unspeakable and full of glory now and perfect bliss in a new universe for eternity.

I Peter 1:8

Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

Psalms 16:11

Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Revelation 21:4

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Spirituality

Exceptional Man

I am a sinner like you, needing God's help as much as you, but I will read the Bible with you, and we can pray for Holy Spirit help.

Jesus Christ

My Spirit is in you, who declares my love to you, and causes you to love me back, and I can and will reveal God more fully to you.

Romans 5:5

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Romans 8:15-16

But ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

Matthew 11:27

No man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.

Needs: Physical or Spiritual

Exceptional Man

I will work hard to build a secure home, put food on your table, and guarantee your physical future.

Jesus Christ

I am the Bread of Life, and I can and will supply all your needs according to my riches in glory, and I know them before you ask me.

Hebrews 4:15-16

For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities....
Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace ... to find grace to help in time of need.

Philippians 4:19

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Matthew 6:31-32

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink?
or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:)
for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

Parents

Exceptional Man

I think my parents will like you. I cannot wait to introduce you to them.

Jesus Christ

My Father has known you from before the world began, and He has always loved you.

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 17:23

I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world
may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save,
he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

Father's Problems

Exceptional Man

I will pay off your father's debts and give him an easy job in one of my factories.

Jesus Christ

Your father is the enemy of God, truth, and life, and I by my might delivered you from the strong man and triumphed over him openly.

John 8:44

Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

Mark 3:27

No man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house.

Colossians 2:15

And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

Preferences

Exceptional Man

I have learned many of your tastes in food, clothing, and entertainment.

Jesus Christ

I know the number of hairs on your head, and before you ask, I know what you need or want.

Matthew 10:30

But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

Isaiah 65:24

And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer;
and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.

Psalms 21:2

Thou hast given him his heart's desire,
and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.

Your Dreams

Exceptional Man

I would love to hear your dreams.

Jesus Christ

I know every dream, secret thought, intent, and desire of your heart perfectly.

Psalm 139:1-4

O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me.

Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.

Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.

For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

Psalm 44:21

Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.

Different Backgrounds

Exceptional Man

We will need to work hard to overcome the great differences in our two backgrounds, but I am willing to do my best.

Jesus Christ

I lived like you as a poor Galilean, was tempted in every way you are, and I can be touched with the feeling of all your infirmities.

Hebrews 4:15-16

For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 2:17-18

Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.

Your Thoughts

Exceptional Man

I think I am learning how you think.

Jesus Christ

I look into your soul and spirit, and I know the thoughts and intents of your heart. I grasp your thoughts easily and know all your ways.

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Psalms 139:1-4

O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me.
Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.
Thou compasses my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.
For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

Fears

Exceptional Man

Tell me your fears, and I will try to take them away.

Jesus Christ

There is absolutely nothing to fear, for I am with you to help in any situation or against any enemy.

Hebrews 13:6

So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do to me.

Psalms 23:4

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Psalms 27:1

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Separation

Exceptional Man

I will let nothing come between us – except death or desertion, of course.

Jesus Christ

Nothing can separate you from my love, not ever, no matter what may happen to you.

John 10:28-30

And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish,
neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all;
and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

I and my Father are one.

Romans 8:38-39

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
creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Distances

Exceptional Man

No matter where I go, I will return to you. No matter where you go, I will try to find you. I will stand by you at all times to comfort you.

Jesus Christ

No matter where you go, I am there, and this rule never changes, for I am omnipresent, and I am inside you by my Spirit.

Psalm 139:7-10

Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?
If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.
If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;
Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

Psalm 73:23

Nevertheless I am continually with thee: thou hast holden me by my right hand.

Hebrews 13:5

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have:
for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

My Health

Exceptional Man

My health is quite good. I get a thorough annual checkup. We should have some good years together.

Jesus Christ

I cannot die and proved it already. I live forever. We will have eternity together.

Revelation 1:18

I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

Deuteronomy 32:40

For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever.

Hebrews 7:25

Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

I Will Decline

Exceptional Man

Though my health is good now, I will decline, and the last 10-20 years could be different. I hope you will be able to help take care of me.

Jesus Christ

I am glorified forever and will never decline. I did not corrupt in the grave, and I live forever in perfect strength and vitality God gave me.

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

Psalms 16:8

I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Psalms 102:25-27

Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment;
as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed:

But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end.

Mercy to Overlook

Exceptional Man

I will try to ignore your faults.

Jesus Christ

I will take away your faults, blemishes, and sins forever and make you perfectly glorious.

Ephesians 5:26-27

That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,
That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle,
or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Jude 1:24

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling,
and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,

Forgiveness

Exceptional Man

I will choose to forgive your mistakes, overlook your flaws, and never hold your past over your head.

Jesus Christ

I have already forgiven you, even for the future, and I pardon offences infinitely better than any forgiveness you have ever known.

I John 2:12

I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake.

Isaiah 55:7-9

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts:
and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him;
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways,
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Flushing and Forgetting

Exceptional Man

I will try to flush and forget any offences that occur, though it may be hard at times.

Jesus Christ

I cannot remember your offences. I have cast them behind my back and buried them in the sea and as far as the east is from the west.

Hebrews 8:12

For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness,
and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

Isaiah 43:25

I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake,
and will not remember thy sins.

Isaiah 38:17

But thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption:
for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back.

Creativity

Exceptional Man

I think I will be able to surprise and please you, and it will be my pleasure to try to do so.

Jesus Christ

I can do exceeding abundantly above anything you ask or think by my power in you.

Ephesians 3:20

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

Jeremiah 33:3

Call unto me, and I will answer thee,
and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.

I Corinthians 2:9

But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

Wedding

Exceptional Man

We will have our wedding at the Taj Mahal in India.

Jesus Christ

We will have the marriage supper of the Lamb with the host of heaven.

Revelation 19:9

And he saith unto me, Write,

Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.

And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

Revelation 19:5-6

And a voice came out of the throne, saying,

Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great.

And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

Wedding Attendance

Exceptional Man

My business associates, political contacts, friends, family, and paparazzi will be there.

Jesus Christ

Countless believers and angels, four beasts, and my Father will be there in great glory.

Revelation 7:9-12

After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.

And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

Wedding Attire

Exceptional Man

I will wear a white tuxedo with a replica sword
... or my ancestors skirt, called a kilt.

Jesus Christ

I will wear a long garment with a golden girdle,
but I will arrive on a white horse, and my
twoedged sword will be real.

Revelation 1:13

And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man,
clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

Revelation 19:11

And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse;
and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True,
and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

Revelation 1:16

And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword:
and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.

Wedding Covenant

Exceptional Man

Our vows will be based on a marriage covenant to identify roles and duties, so you will have in writing my commitment to you.

Jesus Christ

My commitment to you is by death in the everlasting covenant, I cannot lie, and I have sworn with an oath for your extra assurance.

Hebrews 13:20

Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

Hebrews 6:17-18

Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath: That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

Marriage Symbol

Exceptional Man

With this ring ... I thee wed.

Jesus Christ

With this blood ... I thee wed.

Revelation 5:9

And they sung a new song, saying,
Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof:
for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood
out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

I Peter 1:8-9

Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things,
as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;
But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

Wedding Discomfort

Exceptional Man

You may feel a little intimidated by the other women who will be there.

Jesus Christ

I love you only – any other women will adore and envy you.

Psalm 45:10-12

Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear;
forget also thine own people, and thy father's house;
So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he is thy Lord; and worship thou him.
And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift; even the rich
among the people shall intreat thy favour.

Revelation 3:9

Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews,
and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship
before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

Honeymoon

Exceptional Man

I have arranged my business for us to have a two-week honeymoon in a seaside hut in Bali.

Jesus Christ

I have arranged heaven for us to live in pleasure forever without ever leaving you.

Revelation 22:1-5

And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal,
proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life,
which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the
leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb
shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.
And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun;
for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

More than Marriage

Exceptional Man

Are you happy, darling? I cannot do more than marry you, even if I retain rights to my assets.

Jesus Christ

I am marrying you as my beloved wife, but I have also adopted you as my legal daughter.

Romans 8:15

For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear;
but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

Ephesians 1:5

Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children
by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

Romans 8:29

For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed
to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Prenuptial

Exceptional Man

To avoid future conflict, darling, please sign a prenuptial agreement that you had nothing at all and that I had everything when we met.

Jesus Christ

I have married and also adopted you to be a joint-heir of my inheritance. I will never try to take anything back, which would deny myself.

Ephesians 5:29-30

For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

Romans 8:17

And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

II Timothy 2:13

If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.

New Name

Exceptional Man

Do you like the last name of Johnson – son of John?

Jesus Christ

Do you like the last name of God's son – son of God?

I John 3:1

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

My Estate

Exceptional Man

When I die, I have enough in trust for you to live comfortably for any years you outlive me.

Jesus Christ

I died already for you to share my Father's whole estate equal with me, and I cannot die again, so we will enjoy it together forever.

Romans 8:32

He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all,
how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

I Corinthians 3:21-23

Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours;
Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life,
or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours;
And ye are Christ's; and Christ God's.

Your Future

Exceptional Man

You will never have to work again. You are my wife.

Jesus Christ

You will never hurt, be sick, cry, or die ... and I will find something good for you to do, like Adam in the Garden of Eden.

Revelation 21:4

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;
and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying,
neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

I John 2:17

And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof:
but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

If You Die First

Exceptional Man

I will give you the best funeral and best burial in the best cemetery.

Jesus Christ

You cannot die first, for I already died for you to guarantee your burial is merely a nap, and I will visit your cemetery to raise your body.

Job 29:25-27

For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:
And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:
Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another;
though my reins be consumed within me.

Romans 8:23

And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit,
even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption,
to wit, the redemption of our body.

Terminal Disease

Exceptional Man

I hope you do not get a terminal disease, for I will not be able to help then except to watch.

Jesus Christ

I can heal your cancer, or give you enough grace to bear it, or bring you to me early like I did favorites Enoch, Hezekiah, and Josiah.

Psalm 103:3

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

II Corinthians 12:9

And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Isaiah 57:1-2

The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart: and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come.
He shall enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness.

State Functions

Exceptional Man

You may need to accompany me at times to state functions as my wife.

Jesus Christ

I have made you a king and a priest yourself to God forever.

Revelation 1:6

And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father;
to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:10

And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

I Peter 2:9

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people;
that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you
out of darkness into his marvellous light:

Wide Acceptance

Exceptional Man

As my wife, you will be accepted by important people and in exclusive places, like state and federal offices if you were to call upon them.

Jesus Christ

I have made you accepted by God, and not barely and not rarely, but you may go boldly to Him every day right into His presence.

Ephesians 1:6

To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace,
that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 10:19

Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

(see also Hebrews 12:22-24)

Book Rights

Exceptional Man

I bet if we found a publisher we could sell a few thousand copies of our story to others.

Jesus Christ

Our dramatic story has been published in over 4,000 languages with 10 billion copies. Best-selling lists ignore us; we are always #1.

John 5:39

Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life:
and they are they which testify of me.

Matthew 24:14

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world
for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

Revelation 14:6

And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

More Love and Intimacy

Exceptional Man

Honey, I am doing all I can already, and if you wish there were more, I am very sorry.

Jesus Christ

If you love me and keep my simple wishes, which proves your love, I will love you even more and will manifest myself to you.

John 14:21-23

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me:
and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him,
and will manifest myself to him. If a man love me, he will keep my words:
and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him,
and make our abode with him.

Revelation 3:20

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice,
and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Ultimate Fulfillment

Exceptional Man

This is it, dear, and I think it is wonderful. How could you want any more?

Jesus Christ

If you will learn how much I love you by the power of God's Spirit, He can lift you up very high and fill you with all the fulness of God.

Ephesians 3:17-19

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth,
and length, and depth, and height;
And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge,
that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

**What do you owe God and His Son for
loving you with an everlasting love
and then providing all things
for life and eternity?**

The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king,
which made a marriage for his son,...

But they made light of it, and went their ways,
one to his farm, another to his merchandise:...

But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his
armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.

Matthew 22:1-7

(For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:
Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)

Philippians 3:18-19

If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ,
let him be Anathema Maranatha.

I Corinthians 16:22

Grace be with all them
that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.
Ephesians 6:24

**When will you tell Him that all you are
and have are only His ... and when
will you start showing Him?**

Rest Your Heart

Stop looking for fulfillment in human relationships or life achievements.

Purify Your Walk

Live a life worthy of the glorious Bridegroom who chose you out of this world for Himself.

Endure the Present

Remember that current suffering is momentary; your loving Husband will soon come for you.

Greatest Love Compared

Jesus Christ's Love for You

We trembled at, *Prepare to meet thy God*. This is the remedy. Paul taught that knowing the love of Christ is a great priority. He prayed earnestly for Spirit power for Ephesus to know it. He listed four dimensions making it comprehensive for you. He wrote that it passed human knowledge to fully grasp it. Knowing it rightly could fill you with all the fulness of God. Christ's love for Paul is what drove him like no other man.

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