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This is hard to believe

This has been comfort and encouragement for me. And it remains hard to believe. Slowly but surely, I might be believing it.

It's from Ian Simkins (@iansimkins on Instagram)

God doesn't stop loving you when you do something bad because His love for you never hinged on you doing something good. For a lot of us, this is hard to believe.

Maybe you were taught - explicitly or implicitly - that God's love is something you have to merit or earn. That if you obey enough, believe enough, perform enough, THEN you'll be worthy of love. But the Gospel turns that upside down.

Romans 5:8 says: "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Not after we cleaned up. Not once we got our act together. Not when we finally "deserved" it.

While we were still sinners.

God's love isn't a paycheck we earn. It's a gift we receive. A love like this doesn't make sense in a world of conditions and transactions.

But God isn't like that. His love isn't fragile. It isn't moody. It doesn't waiver when we fail.

Psalm 136 repeats this phrase 26 times: "His love endures forever."

Forever means forever. Not just on your best days. Even when you mess up. Even when you doubt. Even when you feel unworthy.

God's love is not based on who you are, but on **who He is**. And He has already decided: You are loved. Nothing can change that.

Full stop.