

The Magnetism of God's Love

I few years ago I attended a Men's retreat and one of the fellow attendees took a few minutes to personally share his story with me. He confided that early in life he had gone far away from God and down a road of sin. He shared that when he finally came to his senses and decided to turn back, he found that God was not far away at all but was there, close by, waiting patiently for him to turn back.

His story reminded me that as a youth I was always interested in science and loved playing with magnets. When the poles were aligned correctly and you moved one magnet closer to another, it would suddenly be pulled across the gap and become stuck to the other. As a kid, I never grew tired of watching that magnet jump across the gap. The magic of that invisible force of magnetic attraction was so fascinating.

I guess this magnetic attraction reminded me of our relationship with our Heavenly Father. Sometimes we may feel far away, but like the magnet, if we will just take a tiny step towards Him we will suddenly find He is there and has drawn close to us in an instant. The invisible force of attraction, His love, is always there, waiting.

No matter how far we might feel we are from God, it is not as far as it looks or seems because he will draw near to us if we draw near to him. He has pursued us and He waits patiently for us to take that first step and turn away from our sin and move towards Him. Oh what a wonderful forgiving Heavenly Father we have.

James 8:8 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Proverbs 18:24 A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

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