

I came up with a devotion for the God and Life award and I would like to present it to you.

Luke 12:17

Why, even the hairs of your head are numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.

God loves you and values you unconditionally. What this means is whether you do something good or bad, God loves and values you.

God's love is a constant and you can depend on it. You didn't earn it. God's love for you is a gift from God.

I have a new fifty dollar bill. Would you want it?-----Yes.

If I crumpled it up. Would you still want it?-----Yes.

If I take it, throw it on the ground and stomp on it—like this until it was dirty, stained and soiled. Would you still want it? -----

Sure you would and why? Because it is still valuable despite the rough treatment that it has experienced. \$50 is \$50. It doesn't lose its value because it is old or because it looks different being tattered and torn.

We all go through challenges and struggles and bad days just like the \$50 bill. And just like this \$50 bill we will never lose our value in God's eyes. God loves us and He values us.

We need to learn to value each other as well as value ourselves just as God values us.

Always remember that God values each of you and loves you.