Tell Me Again, Abba, Father, How Much You Love Me!
Romans 8:15  For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!"

The word “Abba” used in the Bible means “Father”. It is a term expressing warm affection and the confidence of a son or daughter in his or her father. As believers in the Son of God, we can express or show warm affection and confidence in God, our Father. We can say, “Abba! Father!”

God the Father: You are My adopted son/daughter because of your union with My Son, Jesus Christ. I will tell you again, and again and again how much I love you! It is very important for you to know how much God the Son, God the Holy Spirit and I love you and that we will never stop loving you! Since I am love, I am patient with you.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8  Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.
**Child:** Yes Abba, Father. You are extremely patient with me, Your child. When I make mistakes, which is often, God the Holy Spirit gently shows me my errors. I acknowledge them and He gets me back on the right track. You want me to continually renew my mind with Your thinking found in the Bible. You know I will make mistakes until the day I die. You are O.K. with that because all of my sins were forgiven by You at the cross of Christ. Every time I sin I can think of Jesus Christ and what He did for everyone on the cross. I know that all is forgiven and turn back to You. That gives me great encouragement. Your patience with me is most comforting! You are love! I know you love me!

**God the Father:** I want you to be patient and kind to others. You can do this through the power of God the Holy Spirit. When they make mistakes, try not to be upset with them. Remember, you too make mistakes! And I am patient and kind with you! I love you!
Child: Abba, Father, You are the perfect example of kindness. I think I would fall to pieces if it weren’t for You!

God the Father: If you have misunderstandings with someone, pray to Me for wisdom on the matter. And when the time seems right, talk to that person about your misunderstandings. Don’t complain and gossip about him or her. That will not solve the problem and will only make you discontent. Look to Jesus; He told people the truth and He treated people with love. We are love! We love you!
God the Father: Turn to John 11:1-46. Jesus was very good friends with Martha, Mary and Lazarus from Bethany. Jesus was out of that town when Lazarus was sick so the sisters sent word to Jesus. He told His disciples that they would wait two days and then return to Bethany. In the meantime, Lazarus died. When Jesus was just outside of Bethany, Martha met Him and said that if He had been there, Lazarus would not have died. Jesus asked to see Mary who had been crying in her house. She came to Jesus and said the same thing as Mary.

Jesus was truly sad and He wept. He loved Lazarus dearly. He asked for the stone to be removed from Lazarus’ grave. It had been four days since he died and Martha told Jesus that it would stink! “Jesus said to her,’ Did I not say to you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?’” Jesus prayed to Me and Lazarus was resuscitated (brought back to life).
Child: Many people believed in Jesus Christ by seeing this miracle. Glory was given to God. Waiting to come to Bethany was a good thing – it was in God’s plan. God is love! He loves us!

Child: Abba, Father, this Scripture shows how Jesus speaks the truth and does it with love. He always obeys Your will and shows Your love, Father. You love us completely!

God the Father: I am never envious of you or boil over with jealousy. I am not provoked, or angered, by anything you say, do, or think. I do not take into account any wrong suffered from you. I bear all things with regard to you. I love you!
**Child:** You want us to not be envious or jealous of others. You want us to be happy with what You give us. You give us everything we need and then more! We sometimes want things that won't make us happy. You give us what You know will make us happy. **Abba, Father, You love us!**

**God the Father:** I want all the best things for you. I endure all things in My relationship with you. My love for you never fails - it never has and it never ever will. I want you to believe these facts! **I love you! I am in control so you never need to worry!**
Romans 5:1-5 Therefore, having been justified by **faith**, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in **hope** of the glory of God. And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; and perseverance, **proven character**; and **proven character**, hope; and hope does not disappoint, because the **love** of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.
Child: Abba, Father, You don’t want us to be arrogant or self-centered. If we are, our eyes are on ourselves and not on You, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. When our focus is on You All, we can be relaxed because we are relying on the right power! We’re remembering that You are in control and that You love us all!

God the Father: That’s right! And don’t always try to get your own way. Be a servant to others, remembering to see what they need. There will be times when others will be a servant to you and help you with your needs. That’s the way the Body of Christ works! All believers are members of the Body of Christ with Christ as the Head. You are to live in My love! It never fails!
God the Father: I assure you of My love and I give you commands as how to live in My love. Here are a few Scriptures from the Bible to teach you how I want you to live. There are many more which you can find for yourself.

John 13:34-35 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.

John 14:15 If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.

1 Timothy 1:5 But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

Ephesians 5:1-2 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself to God as a fragrant aroma.

Romans 12:9 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

1 John 4:7-10 The end of all things is near; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober spirit for the purpose of prayer. Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaint. As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.
Child: Thank you, Abba, Father! Knowing that you love us makes it easier to love others. You have given us all we need to live in Your love. In fact, knowing that you loved us while we were sinners without Christ shows us how amazing Your love is. Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Words can't express our gratitude! WE LOVE YOU, FATHER! WE LOVE YOU, JESUS! WE LOVE YOU HOLY SPIRIT!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!