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"He delights in mercy" (Micah 7:18)

You Are Valuable To God

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Due to our keen awareness of our own imperfections, we are often made to wonder, as did the psalmist, "Who is man that you are mindful of him?" (Psalm 8:4). We sometimes wonder how God could possibly still love us after all our sins? Maybe the answer to that question can be best understood by way of illustration.

Suppose I offer you a crisp, new, \$100 dollar bill, would you want it? Of course you would. But suppose I crumpled the money up in my fist. Would you still want it? That wouldn't change your mind, would it? Well, suppose I then threw the crumpled \$100 dollar bill on the floor and ground it into the floor with my shoe. Would you still want it? Well, of course you would. You see, whether crumpled or crisp, clean or dirty, the \$100 dollar bill retains its value.

Likewise, it matters not to God how dirty we get from wallowing in sin, God still sees our value and wants to possess us.

Friends, don't ever sell yourself short. Do you feel guilty for all your sins? Good! You should. But don't let your sins cause you to think that God no longer wants you. You are his creation, his offspring, and consequently he will never stop loving you. Don't allow his love to go unrequited.