





***Is there someone in your life  
you would love to have accept you?***

***Who do you yearn to know  
approves of you just the way you are?***



**When the LORD saw that Leah was hated, he opened her womb, but Rachel was barren. And Leah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Reuben, for she said, “Because the LORD has looked upon my affliction; for now my husband will love me.”**





**She conceived again and bore a son, and said, “Because the LORD has heard that I am hated, he has given me this son also.” And she called his name Simeon. Again she conceived and bore a son, and said, “Now this time my husband will be attached to me, because I have borne him three sons.” Therefore his name was called Levi.**



**And she conceived again and bore a son,  
and said, “This time I will praise the LORD.”  
Therefore she called his name Judah.  
Then she ceased bearing.**

*Genesis 29:31-35, ESV*





***God doesn't extend His approval and acceptance on the basis of performance.***

***God's acceptance comes solely on the basis of grace.***



**Therefore, accept each other  
just as Christ has accepted you  
so that God will be given glory.**

*Romans 15:7, NLT*





# ***proslambano***

*to take to one's self, as one's companion;  
to take by the hand in order to lead aside;  
to receive or accept into one's society, home,  
or circle of acquaintances,  
with the collateral idea of kindness;  
to grant one access into one's heart,  
to take into friendship and intercourse*





**But now thus says the LORD,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:  
“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.”**

*Isaiah 43:1, ESV*





