Rev 1 : 5, 6

· God loves —

all men —

lofty conception of the value of a soul —
evil, utterly unworthy,
yet God loves him — still does —

We are so unlovely — yet He loves —
How can a holy God love —
He can see so much more than we
thoughts — secrets —
pride — malice — envy — lust,
hatred — filthiness — vileness.

· In spite of all this he loves —
His love proved on Calvary.

"He loosed" & then He ennobled —
We were slaves — now citizens of heaven's Kingdom
with unspeakable privileges & rights —

Priests — right to share entrance to throne room
of God, along with Jesus — access to
secret treasure room —

God loves us -

"We love him because He first loved us" -
(Nobody comes to ~~God~~ into the world God-hated)

"loveth" - affection is continuous
no abatement of volume -

"Having loved his own he ~~loveth~~ will love them
to the end."
"I have loved thee with an everlasting love
"God so loved that he gave" -
(a giving of itself)

a man - sin-bound -
- guilt-bound -
- death-bound - } release him!

"We are more than conquerors thru him that loved us"

"where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: that as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign, through righteousness, unto eternal life, by Jesus Christ, our Lord."