

Unconditional Love

What does He see in me?

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(Man with a large magnifying glass and a rather large, ugly rock is noticed by another.)

VOICE 1 What are you looking for?

VOICE 2 You see this rock? It's a beauty!

VOICE 1 That ugly thing? How can you say that! It's "majorly" ugly!

VOICE 2 At first glance, it may not look like much, but inside is precious ore that I'm sure is valuable. Even a magnifying glass doesn't reveal its worth, but I know it has real value.

VOICE 1 Man, don't give me that!

VOICE 2 Let's look at it this way. You look pretty good—*(raises eyebrows)* when you're cleaned up—but what do you look like on the inside?

VOICE 1 *(Preening)* I do look pretty sharp, if I do say so myself! *(Stops to think)* You say, the inside? Well, when you put it like that, I don't always think the best thoughts. I begrudge giving up my free time....

VOICE 2 *(Rushing in)* See, you can't tell what's on the inside by looking at the outside. Have you ever thought what God must think when He looks in our hearts?

VOICE 1 He probably wishes they looked as good as we do, all cleaned up!

VOICE 2 Yes, you know He's disappointed sometimes, but the amazing thing is that He never stops loving us. His love is unconditional!

VOICE 1 *(Like a light dawning!)* Yes! Let me see that rock again. *(Takes the rock)* You know, I'm beginning to see a little of its beauty—look at its shape and the texture of its surface.

VOICE 2 So just imagine what's inside!

VOICE 1 *(Holds up the rock)* Like you said, "It's a beauty!"

This dialogue could be followed with a medley of "O How He Loves You and Me," "I Will Sing of my Redeemer," (v. 1&2), "Forgiven," "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," with "O the Wonderful Cross" after each verse.

