

Knowing: God Is Love

1JOHN 4:7-11



1John 4:

7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.



1John 4:

10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Love “words”

- “I LOVE....”
 - Knowing the “spirit” of things today
 - Love becomes all the more important...
- “Beloved, let us love...”
 - Because love is from God... source in us!

Love is From God...

- He is the source and standard of Love
- Greatest love story of all, for all
- Born of God; Knows God – if we love
- Love is what we do, it is what GOD IS!
- Without HIM, we cannot and don't love



1 Cor 13:4-8a

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;

Love Revealed

- The only way He
- He sent Jesus!
- Beloved, with no less love, and much more!
 - Into our world, hurts, needs, problems
 - Our hatreds, prejudices, pride and sins

Life Revealed

- Live through Him!
 - It wasn't about what God wanted/needed
 - It was about us having LIFE/LOVE!!!
- The REAL miracle – He loves us!
 - Our loving Him is a smart response!



Romans 5

8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. 10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

God revealed

- Jesus our atoning sacrifice
 - “Mercy Seat” – where God covers our:
 - Failures, Rebellions, Sins
 - Reconciles us to His Holiness
 - Opens all the opportunities, relationships

Response For us

- If God so loved us...
 - On the love God has “poured out” on you
- We “ought” to love one another...
 - It is the response to His Great Love



God Loves You This Much