

Agape: In The Spirit

1 John 4:10-13



Living and Perfecting

1 John 4:12 (NIV) – No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

- **Lives** – *meno* – to remain and stay; to set up residence.
- **Complete** – *teleioo* – to carry through completely; to accomplish and finish.



The Holy Spirit

1 John 4:13 (NIV) – This is how we know that we live in Him and He in us: He has given us of his Spirit.

The Spirit of God will:

- Teach and remind you – **John 14:26**
- Guide you – **John 16:13**
- Empower you – **Acts 1:8**



Empower to do what?

Luke 6:28

Supernatural actions initiated by agape:

- Loving your enemies
- Doing good to those who hate you
- Blessings those who curse you
- Praying for those who mistreat you



Empower to do what?

Luke 6:29

Agape preserves you:

- If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also
- If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them

****do not give power and authority to your pain.**

Do not allow the actions of a person change you from being who God has called you to be.



You Resemble Your Father

Luke 3:35,36

Operating in *agape*, by the power of the Holy Spirit, will result in:

- 1. Reward – *mithos*** – dues paid for work; wages
- 2. Resemblance** – “children of the Most High” - you look like your Father

