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JULY - SEPTEMBER

Week 13: Locked In (Spirit-Led Assurance)

1 John 4:13

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1 JOHN 4:13 (CSB)

This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us:

He has given us of his Spirit.

BIG IDEA:

The Holy Spirit gives us confidence and peace, assuring us of our relationship with God and empowering us to live boldly in His love.

We don't love to prove we're saved.

We love because we're sealed.

#1

God shows us how to love

1 JOHN 4:9-10 (CSB)

God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his one and only Son into the world so that we might live through him. Love consists in this: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice, for our sins.

1 JOHN 4:14 (CSB)

And we have seen and we testify that the Father has sent his Son as the world's Savior.

**Jesus steps into our condition,
and does not wait for us to get it together.**

1 JOHN 4:19 (CSB)

We love because he first loved us.

1 JOHN 4:15 (CSB)

**Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God—God
remains in him and he in God.**

1 JOHN 4:7-8 (CSB)

Dear friends, let us love one another, because love is from God, and everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. The one who does not love does not know God, because God is love

- God loves **intentionally** — WITH PURPOSE
- God loves **sacrificially** — AT GREAT COST
- God loves **unconditionally** — WITHOUT PRETENSE
- God loves **selflessly** — WITH OTHERS AT THE CENTER

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1 JOHN 4:12 (CSB)

[...]If we love one another, God abides in us and His love is perfected in us.

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This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us:

He has given us of his Spirit.

1 JOHN 4:15-16 (CSB)

Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God—God remains in him and he in God. ¹⁶ And we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us.

1 JOHN 4:18 (CSB)

There is no fear in love; instead, perfect love drives out fear, because fear involves punishment. So the one who fears is not complete in love.

Do you love like God loves?

**If the spirit is in you,
love will come through you**

#2

Our love shows who we live for

1 JOHN 4:11 (CSB)

Dear friends, if God loved us in this way, we also must love one another.

1 JOHN 4:20 (CSB)

If anyone says, 'I love God,' yet hates his brother or sister, he is a liar.

Love is not optional.
It's essential.
It shows who we live for.

**The word “brother” extends outward to
the vulnerable, the outsider, the poor,
the overlooked.**

**The world may never read our bible,
but they can read our love.**

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