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“Jesus demands everything, not just so we would submit to His control, but to free us from the control of things that were never designed to control us.”

- Paul David Tripp

1 John 4:13-15

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13 By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.

14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.

15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God

Experience

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- JOHN WROTE – Dealing with Gnostic Elites, Arrogant Leadership, and Lovelessness
 - “**Measuring Tool**” – Christ’s Love
- God, Himself, is relational
 - We experience His Love - **RELATIONALLY!!**

John 3:16 - LOVE - God gave Son for us.

Romans 10:9 - Confess and believe - **SAVED!**

1 John 4:16

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16 So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

Engage

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- GOD IS LOVE!
 - God is - NOT JUST A DECENT VERSION!
- Engagement "works" – COMMITMENT!
- Abide - NOT - Occupy...

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“It is our duty and privilege to exhaust our lives for Jesus. We are NOT to be living specimens of men and women in fine preservation, but living sacrifices.”

- C.H. Spurgeon

1 John 4:17-18

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17 By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world.

18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.

Evident

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- What is "evidence" of Love?
 - IT IS NOT - simply acts or service!
 - IT IS - uncontainable, uncontrollable, undeterred, and indescribable!

Abiding in HIM will be evident!

- John 15:5 – **FRUIT**

- How are we showing LOVE today?
- What is evident in your life?

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“His holiness, by definition, assures us that our words can not contain Him. Isn't it a comfort to worship a God we can not exaggerate!?!”

- Francis Chan

1 John 4:19-21

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19 We love because he first loved us.

20 If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen.

21 And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

Express

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- Love is an action!
- Love is an expression!
- Love is TRANSFORMATIONAL!
- It is NOT BIGGER job for the same old tool!!!
- II Cor. 5:17 - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

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A great danger in a busy church is when many come, but few are changed.

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Have you EXPERIENCED God's Love?

Have you ENGAGED God's Love?

Have you seen EVIDENCE of God's Love?

Have you EXPRESSED God's Love?

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