



ESTABLISHED IN LOVE

In a world filled with uncertainty, division, and shifting values, we long for something unshakable—something that can anchor our hearts and guide our lives. The apostle John, in his first letter, reveals the foundation that never fails: the love of God. This sermon series, *Established in Love*, will take us on a journey through 1 John, uncovering what it means to be deeply rooted in God's love and how that transforms our relationships, faith, and daily lives.

Throughout this series, we will explore themes of God's perfect love, the assurance of our salvation, the call to love one another, and how walking in the light of Christ shapes our identity. As we study these powerful truths, we will be challenged to move beyond a surface-level faith and become fully established in the unchanging love of God.

Join us as we dive into 1 John and discover how abiding in God's love gives us confidence, overcomes fear, and empowers us to love others as He first loved us.

DAY 1

ESTABLISHED IN GOD'S LOVE

Daily reading: 1 John 4:7-21

God's love is the foundation of our faith and identity. As we read in 1 John, "God is love" (v.16).

This profound truth should shape how we view ourselves and others. Reflect on how God has demonstrated His love for you, especially through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

Consider how this love empowers you to love others, even when it's challenging. Today, intentionally show love to someone who may be difficult to love, remembering that God loved us first when we were still sinners.



DAY 2 LIVING OUT OUR FAITH

Daily reading: Romans 1:16-17, Matthew 5:14-16

This week's sermon emphasized not being ashamed of our faith in Jesus. Paul declares in Romans that he is "not ashamed of the gospel" because it is the power of God for salvation.

Jesus calls us to be lights in the world, not hiding our faith but letting it shine. Reflect on times when you may have been hesitant to share your faith.

What held you back? Ask God for boldness and opportunities to share His love with others today. Remember, your story of faith could be the hope someone else needs to hear.



DAY 3 THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF BAPTISM

Daily reading: Romans 6:1-11, Colossians 2:12-14

This week, we celebrated with 14 people who demonstrated their faith in Jesus by getting baptized.

Baptism symbolizes a powerful spiritual reality - dying to our old self and rising to new life in Christ. Paul describes baptism as being buried with Christ and raised with Him through faith.

Reflect on your own baptism or conversion experience. How has your life changed since then?

If you haven't been baptized, consider what might be holding you back. Pray for a renewed sense of your identity in Christ and for the strength to live out this new life daily.



DAY 4 HOPE IN THE MIDST OF CHALLENGES

Daily reading: Romans 5:1-5, James 1:2-4

The sermon touched on facing ridicule and challenges for our faith. Yet, Scripture teaches us that trials can produce perseverance, character, and hope.

Reflect on a current challenge you're facing. How might God be using this to strengthen your faith and character?

Ask God for the perspective to see your trials through His eyes and the strength to persevere. Remember, our hope in Christ is an anchor for our souls, steadfast and sure.



DAY 5

EXPERIENCING GOD'S PRESENCE IN COMMUNITY

Daily reading: Hebrews 10:24-25, Acts 2:42-47

The importance of church community was evident in the sermon, from baptisms to worship. The early church devoted themselves to fellowship, breaking bread, and prayer.

How has being part of a church community strengthened your faith? Reflect on ways you can deepen your connections within your church family.

Consider reaching out to someone new this week, or participating in a church activity you haven't before. Remember, as we love and encourage one another, we experience God's presence in powerful ways.

