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TRADITIONS

Put away what distracts you.
Silence your electronic devices.
h2O stops when the teaching starts.
Clean up after yourself.
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**IN JESUS
SACRIFICIALLY
TO ABIDE IN US
TO TRANSFORM US**

☀ AS A BABE IN A MANGER ☀



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**“IN THIS THE LOVE OF GOD
WAS MADE MANIFEST
AMONG US, THAT GOD SENT
HIS ONLY SON INTO THE
WORLD, SO THAT WE MIGHT
LIVE THROUGH HIM.”
1 JOHN 4:9**

THE HOMEWRECKER

“Sin offends God not only because it bereaves or assaults God directly... but also because it bereaves and assaults what God has made... Sin is blamable human vandalism [of God’s design for creation and redemption].”

Cornelius Plantinga Jr. Not the Way It’s Supposed to Be: A Breviary of Sin

ABIDE

“to continue in a place”
“to dwell”

120 occurrences in the New Testament
Gospel of John - 40x
1 John - 24x

1 JOHN 4:12

¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

HEBREWS 10:24-25

²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

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God in us makes love visible through us.

1 JOHN 4:13-15

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.

JOHN 14:16-17

⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷ even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

1 JOHN 4:13-15

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.

God in us leads us to the truth

1 JOHN 4:16

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.

ROMANS 8:35, 37-39

³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

ROMANS 8:35, 37-39

³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

1 JOHN 4:16

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.

God in us assures us of His steadfast love.

**WHAT WILL YOU DO TO
STEP INTO THE LIVES OF
OTHER BELIEVERS?**

**HOW HAS THE HOLY
SPIRIT BEEN
TRANSFORMING YOU TO
LOVE WHAT GOD LOVES?**

**WHAT LIE ABOUT GOD DO
YOU NEED TO REJECT?
WHAT TRUTH TO REST IN?**

