



1 John 4:7-21



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TRUE LOVE vs. 7-12

The Foundation Of Love

- Love is from God
- Love known at salvation... new birth
- Love reveals God



TRUE LOVE vs. 7-12

The Foundation Of Love

True Church Displays True Love

- · Love for each other's reflects our love for God
- No love for others... God's love is not known
- True love removes judgmental attitudes, actions, and words



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TRUE LOVE vs. 7-12

The Foundation Of Love True Church Displays True Love Love Defined By God's Love For Us

- Manifest plan
 - More than a promise
 - · Actions demonstrated
 - Proven results



TRUE LOVE vs. 7-12

The Foundation Of Love True Church Displays True Love Love Defined By God's Love For Us

- Manifest plan
- God sent Jesus
 - · Only Son into the world
 - Life only possible through Jesus



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TRUE LOVE vs. 7-12

The Foundation Of Love True Church Displays True Love Love Defined By God's Love For Us Initiated by God

- Remember God's attributes
 - All knowing
 - All powerful
 - Not bound by time nor space



TRUE LOVE vs. 7-12

The Foundation Of Love True Church Displays True Love Love Defined By God's Love For Us Initiated by God

- · Remember God's attributes
- · God created mankind to love
 - Human nature is broken
 - God's love and plan are perfect



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God Provides A Way Out Of Brokenness

- Sent Jesus to be our propitiation for sins
- God's one only Son is our one and only hope



ROMANS 3:21-26

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

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If God Loves... We Love

- Grasping the love of God
- Impossible to love others and not love God



Proof

- Promise fulfilled
 - If you love me, you will keep
 - The Holy Spirit
 - Third person of the Trinity
 - Spirit of truth
 - Promise to be in you

John 14:15-17

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 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."



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TRUE ABIDING vs. 13-15

Proof

- Promise fulfilled
- Belong = Loving = Obeying
 - God's love manifested through the Holy Spirit
 - Holy Spirit enables us to keep Christ's commands

John 14:18-21

"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."



Proof

- Promise fulfilled
- Belong = Loving = Obeying
- Peace
 - The Holy Spirit is:
 - Our Helper
 - Our teacher
 - Our peace

John 14:25-28

"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I."

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TRUE ABIDING vs. 13-15

Proof

Testimony

- Believers are commanded to give testimony about Jesus
- Witness of the manifested love of God through Jesus
- Your love for others in demonstrated by your passion to share the compassion of Jesus



Proof

Testimony

Whoever confesses...

- Jesus is the Son of God
 - All authority
 - God = sinless
 - Believe sin and death conquered – price paid in full

Romans 10:9-13

because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

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- God abides in the believer... the believer in God



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TRUE CONFIDENCE vs. 16-21

Presence Is Assurance

- Know and believe no doubt
- The love of God
- · God is love



TRUE CONFIDENCE vs. 16-21

Presence Is Assurance

Presence In Abiding Relationship

- Abide in God's love
 - Relationship through salvation
 - · Committed daily walk with God
 - · Trusting the Spirit of God



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TRUE CONFIDENCE vs. 16-21

Presence Is Assurance

Presence In Abiding Relationship

- Abide in God's love
- · God's love demonstrated through His..
 - Knowledge yet still loves
 - Conviction of sin because of His pursuing love
 - Plan to glorify Him through gifting and calling
 - Eternal life peace now and perfection later



TRUE CONFIDENCE vs. 16-21

Presence Is Assurance Presence In Abiding Relationship Presence In The End

- Confidence in God's plan of salvation through Jesus
- No fear in love Deuteronomy 6:1-9
 - There is no condemnation for believers
 - Because God loves His children
 - · Jesus paid the price for your sin

Proverbs 1:7

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.



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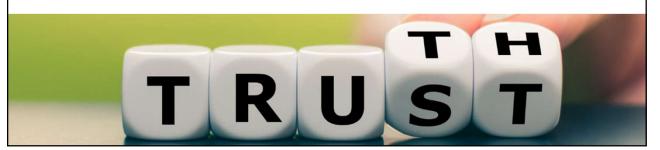
TRUE CONFIDENCE vs. 16-21

Presence Is Assurance
Presence In Abiding Relationship
Presence In The End
Presence Is Evident With Our Love

- God loves you first
- Cannot hate your brother and love God
- God's love demonstrated by loving believers

John 13:34-35

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."



SURRENDER TO GOD'S LOVE?

DEMONSTRATING GOD'S LOVE?

