



Fall Sermon Series & Small Group Study
The Epistle of First John

Part 8 – “Deeper into the Love of God”

1 John 4:7-16

In this passage John offers a “three-peated” admonition:

_____!
(vs. 7, 11, 12)

John shares three foundational facts about God:

1. What God is – God is _____ (1 John 4:7, 8)

Last of three “God is” expressions unique to John that help us understand God’s nature or character:

- 1) God is _____. (John 4:24)
- 2) God is _____. (1 John 1:5)
- 3) God is _____. (1 John 4:8)

2. What God did – God sent _____ (4:9-11)

God “showed” His love this way for two purposes:

- 1) _____ - Christ _____ for us. (v. 10)
- 2) _____ - We _____ with Him. (v. 9)

3. What God is doing – God _____ in us (4:12-16)

The Lord God who is Love...

...has said something _____ us.

- God’s love is _____ in His Word.

...has done something _____ us.

- God’s love is _____ in His Son.

...and wants to do something _____ us!

- God’s love is _____ in His believers.

Pursue this characteristic of “perfect love” as a...

- _____ - a _____.
- _____ - a _____.

“There is no fear in love, but perfect love _____ out fear.”

~ 1 John 4:18

“God did not give us a spirit of fear, but a spirit of power, of _____ and of self-discipline.”

~ 1 Timothy 1:7