

Dear friends, let us <u>love</u> one another, for <u>love</u> comes from God. Everyone who <u>loves</u> has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not <u>love</u> does not know God, because God is <u>love</u>.

1 John 4: 7-8 NIV

This is how God showed his **love** among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

<u>1 John 4: 9-10 NIV</u>

Dear friends, since God so **loved** us, we also ought to **love** one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we **love** one another, God lives in us and his **love** is made complete in

1 John 4: 11-12 NIV

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## <u>Main Point</u> God's gift of love; receive it from the Father and regift it to all those around you

What Is Love? ★ Patient, kind, not envious, not boastful ★ Not a romantic love ★ Less about how we feel about people and more about how we treat them

▲ God Loved Us First
★ God sent His son for us
★ His love is unmerited and undeserved
★ Be willing to accept God's love

**Love Others** ★ Love is something we live out ★ Put love in action ★ Love doesn't pick and choose ★ Give love even when people don't expect it or deserve it

## Closing ★ Remember the gift of God's love ★ God gave it first ★ Accept it ★ Regift it all year long