



"Love Over Fear"

1 John 4:7-21

Questions to **Dig Deeper**:

- 1. John begins this passage with a command to love one another. John then goes on to explain that loving is proof that one knows God and is born of God. Why is this true?
- 2. Does this mean that apart from God we cannot really love?
- 3. What does it mean that "God is love"?
- 4. How does our culture define love? What does our love look like?
- 5. How does the Bible define love? (Verses 9-16 help us to discover the answer.)
- 6. When is it hardest for you to believe that God loves you? How is John's teaching a welcomed correction to this thinking?
- 7. Who is hardest for you to extend God's love to? Be as concrete and vulnerable as you are able.