

Let Us Love One Another

1 John 4:7-12

John's Purposes for Writing

1. That our _____ may be complete. – 1:4
2. That you may not _____. – 2:1
3. To warn against _____ . – 2:26
4. **That you may know you have** _____ . – 5:13

I. The _____ to Love: (vv. 7-8)

- A. Audience: “_____.” Cf. 2:7; 3:2, 21; 4:1
- B. Content: Love one _____.
- C. Two reasons:
 1. For love is from _____.
 2. Because God is _____.
- D. Two responses:
 1. Right: Loving others is _____ you are a child of God and know Him.
 2. Wrong: Not loving others _____ that you do not truly know God.

II. The _____ of Love: (vv. 9-10)

- A. God's love is _____ : *God sent his only Son into the world.*
- B. God's love is _____ : *so that we might live through him.*
- C. God's love takes _____ : *not that we have loved God but that he loved us.*
- D. God's love is _____ : *sent his Son.*
- E. God's love is _____ : *to be the propitiation for our sins.*

III. The _____ of Love: (vv. 11-12)

- A. To _____ one another.
- B. To show _____ what God's love is like.

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⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

⁸ Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹ 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. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we have

loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹ Beloved, if God so loved us, we

also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love

is perfected in us.