

# First Love

## 1 John 4:7-21

*“He first loved us.”* 1 John 4:19

### The Foundation of Love

The Foundation of God’s Love for Us: “God is love.” (Vs. 8 & 16)

His Love is Unconditional & Undeserved:

His Love is Unlimited & Unending:

The Foundation of Our Love For God:

*“We love because he first loved us.”* (Vs. 19)

### Freedom From Fear is Found in Love

*“There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.”* (Verse 18)

### The Fruit of Love (Hint: It’s Love!)

*“Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God.”*

*“Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.”*

*“We love because he first loved us.”*

*“If anyone says, ‘I love God,’ and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen.”*

*“And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.”*

(Verses 7, 11, 19, 20, 21)