



The Picture of Perfect Love — Part 2

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1 John 4:7-21

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INTRODUCTION — What does 1 John have to do with Mother's Day?

REVIEW — The Picture of Perfect Love, Part 1

I. LOVE IS WHO GOD **IS** vs. 7-8

*“Beloved let us love one another, **for love is from God**; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. The one who does not love does not know God, **for God is love.**”*

The Point — God has said something **TO** us — I am love!

II. LOVE IS WHY GOD **DIED** vs. 9-11

*“By this the love of God was **manifest** in us, that God **has sent** His only **begotten** Son into the world so that we might **live** through Him. “In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and **sent His Son** to be the **propitiation** for our sins.”*

The Point — God has done something **FOR** us — I have died for you!

LESSON: Continued — The Picture of Perfect Love, Part 2 4:7-21

III. LOVE IS WHAT GOD **DOES** vs. 12-18

The Invisible God — No one has seen Him v. 12a

The Indwelling God — How He is seen vs. 12b-18

*“God **abides** in us ... we **abide** in Him ... God **abides** in him ... the one who **abides** in love **abides** in God, and God **abides** in him.”*

The Proof God Abides In Us

1. God’s “**PERFECTED**” love is seen in how we treat one another. vs. 12b
2. God’s **SPIRIT** dwells in us. vs. 13-16
3. We have **CONFIDENCE** about the return of Jesus. vs. 17-18

The Point — God has done something **THROUGH** us — I have revealed My love!

IV. LOVE IS WHAT GOD **DEMANDS** vs. 19-21

*“We love, because He first loved us. If **someone says**, ‘I love God,’ but hates his brother, he is a liar; ... And **this is the commandment** we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also.”*

The Point — God has said something **ABOUT** us. — Your love proves your faith is real!

Applying this to our lives ... On Mother’s Day!