



Getting To the Bottom of Love

1 John 4:1-16

Big Idea for the Series: Ten weeks of biblical truth designed to show the evidence the Apostle John points to revealing true, saving faith. John said, “I write these things to you so you may know you have eternal life.”

The Bottom Line: Understanding the gospel is key to understanding how to love.

Introduction:

Over the last two weeks, we were reminded of the two defining marks of the children of God: Righteousness (1 John 3:1-10) and Love (1 John 3:11-24).

Today, John will inform us concerning the foundation of love.

Truth

Read 1 John 4:7-16.

When the Scriptures use the term, “know,” it is implying the deepest level of intimacy (i.e. Genesis 4:1).

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The Triune God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) abide in us because we have known His love *and* believed His love.

Application & Conclusion:

Repent of your sins, believe Christ, and rest in His love.

Next Steps:

- Memorize 1 John 4:10.
- Pursue discipleship.
- Share the Gospel with someone this week.