

Perfect Love Casts Out Fear!

1 John 4:7-18

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7 Beloved, **let us love one another**, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and **knows** God. 8 He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. 10 **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.**

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

12 No one has seen God at any time. **If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us.**

13 **By this** we **know** that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.

14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world.

15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

16 And we **have known** and believed [relied on, trusted in] the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

17 **By this** **Love has been perfected among us** ~~in this~~: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.

18 There is no fear in love; but **perfect love casts out fear**, because fear involves torment [judgment]. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

*"No Fear" of judgment for the believer!
But do you **know** that?
Really **know** that?*

By this ... What? By what?

As we love one another we become fully convinced in our relationship with God as God reveals himself to us.

We now know what we know!

We know ...

- The nature of God,
- God's love for us,
- Our love for God
- Our forgiveness in the Father's full satisfaction with Christ's finished work on the cross as payment for our sins
- Our status of abiding in him and he in us