

**CORINTH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP  
LOVING ONE ANOTHER  
(1 John 4:7-21)**

**INTRODUCTION:**

In our text, we notice that “God is Love” and that each person in the Godhead plays a role in making God’s Love known to us: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Christians are commanded to love one another. **Loving One Another:**

- I. **Proves that we are Born of God and Know God** (vv. 7-8)
  - A. **Christians are Born of God** (v. 7; 2 Cor 5:17)
  - B. **Christians Know God** (v. 7)
  - C. **A person that “loveth not knoweth not God”** (v. 8)
  
- II. **Proves that We See God’s Love** (vv. 9-11)
  - A. **God’s Love is seen in one supreme act** (v. 9).
  - B. **God’s way of saving mankind** (v. 10).
  - C. **God loves us, so we should love one another** (v. 11)
  
- III. **Proves that God’s Spirit is in Us** (vv. 12-13)
  - A. **God is not known by sight** (v. 12; John 1:18; 4:24)
  - B. **God is known by Love** (v. 12)
  - C. **Mature Love proves that God’s Spirit is in Us** (v. 13)
  
- IV. **Proves that our Testimony and Confession are True** (vv. 14-16)
  - A. **The Believer’s Testimony** (v. 14)
  - B. **The Believer’s Confession** (v. 15; 1 John 2:23; Matt 16:13-16)
  
- V. **Proves that God is to Deliver us from Judgment** (v. 17)
  - A. **Christians – Bema Seat Judgment** (1 Cor 3:10-15)
  - B. **Paul’s Illustration of Bema Seat Judgment** (2 Cor 5:10)
  
- VI. **Proves that God Delivers us from Fear** (v. 18)
  - A. **“There is no fear in love”**
  - B. **“Perfect (complete) Love casts our fear”**
  - C. **“Fear hath torment”**
  - D. **Fear means that a person is not perfected (completed) in Love** (Rom 8:34-35)
  
- VII. **Proves that We Love God** (vv. 19-21; John 3:16)
  - A. **We know we Love God because God loves us** (1 John 4:9; 2 Cor 5:15; 1 Thess 5:9-10)
  - B. **We know we Love God because we do not Hate our Brother** (v. 20)
  - C. **We know we Love God because we Keep His Commandment** (v. 21; John 13:34-35)

**CONCLUSION:**

- A. **Loving one another proves that we Love God.**
- B. **“This is my commandment, That ye love one another as I have loved you”** (John 15:12)
- C. **Romans Road (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)**

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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever (Isa 40:8)