

THE GOD Kind of Love

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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.*

1 John 4:16-17

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*And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and **he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.** 17 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. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.*

The God Kind of Love Has:

1. A Definition

2. A Benefit

3. A Purpose

What is Love?

The best **DEFINITION** of love is understood by what God did.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that who ever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

What is Love?

The **BENEFIT** of love is seen through the people who have done the most for you.



What is Love?

The **PURPOSE** of love is summarized in
John 3:16.

“For God so loved that He GAVE...”

Three Ingredients to the God Kind of Love

1. Is universal and not selective
2. It is sacrificial and not selfish
3. It gives and doesn't take

This World's Kind of Love

1. Narrow and highly selective

2. Stingy and selfish

3. It takes and gives mainly for selfish gain

The Benefits of the God Kind of Love

“He who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.”

(1 John 4:16)

1. **Embodies the of God**

2. **Causes you to grow and mature**

3. **Gives you boldness,** *“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.”* (1 John 4:17)

The Benefits of the God Kind of Love

“He who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.”
(1 John 4:16)

4. **Has no Fear**, *There is **no fear** in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has **not been made perfect in love.*** (1 John 4:18)

“Do You Love Me More Than _____”

John 21:1-17 (Full context)

15] Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of Jonah, **do you love Me more than these?**”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; **You know that I love You.**”

He said to him, “**Feed My lambs.**”

16] He said to him again a second time, “Simon, son of Jonah, **do you love Me?**”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; **You know that I love You.**”

He said to him, “**Tend My sheep.**”

“Do You Love Me More Than _____”

John 21:1-17 (Full context)

*17 He said to him **the third time**, “Simon, son of Jonah, **do you love Me?”***

***Peter was grieved** because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?”*

*And he said to Him, “**Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.**”*

*Jesus said to him, “**Feed My sheep.**”*

Peter's love was based in his FEELING

Jesus wanted Peter's love to be in his ACTIONS

Where is your love based?