

1 JOHN: WHERE LOVE COMES FROM

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BIG IDEA

Without God's love, we are unable to fully love others.

OUTLINE

- _____ to the Source (v. 7-9)
 - A relationship with God is _____ if we are to _____
 - We cannot _____ what we do not _____ (v. 20)
 - The _____ gives us the ability to _____
- _____ to the Source (v. 15-17)
 - A branch will only bear fruit if it's _____ (John 15)
 - Acknowledge that Jesus is God's Son _____
 - Live in _____
- _____ the Source (v. 10-11)
 - Love _____ (v. 19)
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TALK IT OVER

- Are you the one who needs things repeated, or the one who ends up repeating things over again?
- What is your story of connecting with God? Was it a "bolt-of-lightning" experience, or did you come to Him over a long period of time?
- What distractions keep you from staying connected with God (ie. Reading the Bible or praying)? How can you keep those distractions to a minimum?
- Do you find it hard to be the first one to show love? If so, what are some ways you could practice being the initiator?
- Which is harder: Loving someone unconditionally (not holding anything against) them OR sacrificially (giving up something to show them love)?
- Who is one person that needs you to show them God's love this week?



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