# **Cultivating Love in a Selfish World**

1 John 4:7-21; 1 Corinthians 13

# The Command to Love (7-8)

We have been born of God (7); We know God (7-8)

God is love, not "love is God."

### The Example of Love (9-11)

That we might <u>live</u> (9); That He might <u>die</u> (10)

That we might love others (11)

# The Aids for Loving (12-19)

Perfected love (12) Abide in His Spirit (13) Confess the Son as Savior (14-15) Know the Father's Love (16) Be confident for the future (17) Love God with no fear (18) Love God! (19)

### The Test for Love (20-21)

To love God and hate your brother is to live a lie (20)

To love God and love your brother is to <u>obey</u> God's command (21)

Application: 1 Corinthians 13