

INSPIRE LOVE
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1 JOHN 4:18-21

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this:

those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

REFLECT & DISCUSS

1. Read the passage slowly. Then take a deep breath and read it again. What word, phrase or image stands out to you?
2. Take some time to quietly reflect on what you are truly fearful of. When do you feel afraid? What fears linger in your heart?
3. How does love "cast out" fear? What fears might Christ's love challenge in our world? In your life?
4. Recall a time when you were loved unconditionally. What did that inspire in you?
5. Who are the most difficult people for you to love? Why?

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