

**Series "Following After God"**  
**"The Perfect Life"**  
**1 John 4:14-21**  
**Study-13**

**1 John 2:10-11** Walking in Love – Proof of our Fellowship.

**1 John 3:10-18** Practicing Love – Proof of our Son-ship.

**1 John 4:7-13** Love is shown to be the very nature of God.

**1 John 4:14-21** The indwelling Holy Spirit makes possible the maturing of love.

**1 John 3:11-4:21** Maintaining Love:

**1. Verses 14-16 – Love And The Indwelling God**

**2. Verses 17-21 – Love And Its Perfection**

**1. Verses 14-16 – Love And The Indwelling God:**

1 John 4:14

1. 1 John 4:13 Witness In The Believer of The Holy Spirit:

1 John 3:24

2. 1 John 4:14-15 The Witness Of The Believer That Jesus Christ Is God's Son:

We Must Personally Witness Jesus Christ: And we have beheld "spectators, eye witnesses"

John 4:42

We Must Believe, Then Share It: bear witness "keep on bearing witness"

Message: that the Father has sent the Son to be the Savior of the world.

1 Tim 1:15-16

1 John 4:15

Jesus – (Humanity) Joshua - Jehovah saves

Son of God – (Deity) second person of the Trinity.

1 John 4:2

2 John 7

Our Confession Before Others Through Baptism: Matt 28:19-20

Acts 2:37-38

John 14:23

3. 1 John 4:16 The Witness Through The Believer That God Is Love:

A Genuine Child of God has a growing knowledge of the Lord. And we have come to know (God's love for us)

A Genuine Child of God has a growing Faith in the Lord; and have believed the love which God has for us.

## **2. Verses 17-21 – Love And Its Perfection:**

1 John 4:17

perfected – “mature, made complete”

1 John 4:12

Verses 17-18 – God's Love Perfected When Facing Judgment: that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; The word confidence - can mean “boldness” or “freedom of speech.”

Jesus Believed it: Matt 12:36

Paul Believed it: Romans 2:5

Peter Believed it: 2 Peter 3:7

The very first doctrine challenged in the Bible is the doctrine of The Judgment of Sin (Gen 3:4)

Great White Throne (Non-Believers) – Rev 20:11-15

The Bema Seat (Christians) – 1 Cor 3:13-15

Eph 1:6

1 John 4:18

fear is the Greek word phobia which we have adopted for fear into our English vocabulary:

Romans 8:15

2 Tim 1:7

Heb 9:27

John 5:24

Rom. 8:1

Romans 8:35

Romans 8:37-39

Verses 19-21 – God’s Love Is Perfected Through Loving One Another:

1 John 4:8

1 John 4:20

God Given Opportunity: If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar;

Why Does John Call Him a liar?

1. He is professing something that he is not really practicing.
2. God commands us to love one another (1 John 4:21); he is playing a role instead of living a life; he is a liar;

1 John 4:21

1 John 3:23

John 13:34-35

### **Application:**

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