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RE- FLECTING GOD

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1 John 4:7-21

One of the first Bible verses many of us learned as a child was, "*God is love*" (vv. 8, 16). This is beautifully simple, yet at the same time most profound; simple because it is not encumbered with complex theological jargon; and profound because it embodies all the deep and eternal truth of God's passion to have an intimate relationship with all humanity.

This intimate relationship is fueled with the energy of love. Love is not a static sort of thing. It is both active and interactive. It is energized by passion, truth, honesty, and trust. So *God is love*, is an action packed, reciprocal relationship. It is not only an attitude, but it is a dynamic demonstration of the mind, heart, and spirit of those who engage in its lifestyle. The scripture from 1 John 4:9 identifies it this way: "This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him."

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