WHOEVER LIVES IN LOVE

1 John 4:7–21

Key Verse: 4:16

1. What does loving one another or not show about people? (7,8) What are the traits of God’s love? (9,10) How does appreciating God’s love help us learn how to love?
2. What should we do, and why? (11) What does loving one another show about us, and what does this mean? (12,17)
3. How do we know that we live in God, and God in us? (13; 3;24) Why is knowing this important? How do we share in the faith of the first apostles? (14) What else shows that we live in God, and God in us, and what does it mean to do this? (15)
4. Read verse 16a. In light of this, how does God living in us affect us? What does it mean to “know and rely on” God’s love, and why is this crucial in Christian life? Read verse 16b. What does it mean that “God is love”? What does it mean to “live in love”? What does doing this show about a person?
5. What does it mean that “love is made complete among us,” and what does this love do for us? (17–19) Why is it important to know that this love has its origins in God, not us? (10,19) What does not loving a brother or sister show about a person? (20) If we truly love God, what must we do? (21)