

CONFIDENT LOVE  
1 John 4:17-21

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Confident love...

Removes fear. (17-18)

Removes ambiguity. (19)

Removes excuses. (20-21)

**[READ 1 John 4:17-21]**

**[Sermon Summary]**

Love has been perfected: This is speaking of love that is “perfectly perfected” or “completely complete.” This is very strong language from God through John. This love from God, or rather God in us cast out fear. This love removes the ambiguity of the future from our life now. If Christ is in us now, then we have boldness in the world now. God is the generator of love, He is love, and we love because He revealed this love to us. We see this in each other when we love our brothers and sisters.

***Discussion Starters:***

[The discussion starters are designed to help each other apply God’s Word to our week. The idea is to help others continually take steps of obedience to God’s voice in our lives.]

What did God speak to you personally through the message this weekend? How has God removed the fear from your life? How have you experienced this perfectly perfected love in your life? In what ways do you act like God, and love those around you sacrificially and unconditionally? What are some areas you need to change in this realm? How can you create space specifically, this Christmas week, to allow God to love those who are tough to love over the holidays?