

First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Cambridge, Massachusetts
The Lord's Day, 26 February Anno Domini 2006

1John 4:7-16 In This is Love

- I. The nature of God.
 - A. God is love.
God is 'spirit' (John 4:24), 'light' (1John 1:5), 'a consuming fire' (Heb 12:29), 'love' (1John 4:8).
 - B. God is the source of love.
1John 4:7.
- II. The gift of God.
 - A. Sinful man perverts love.
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 - B. God provides pure love.
1 Timothy 1:5; Romans 12:9; Romans 13:10; John 17:26; John 15:10.
 - C. The gift of God to undeserving sinners.
The Son of God, the propitiation for our sins.
 - D. The gift of the very Son of God.
Romans 5:8.
- III. The experience of God.
 - A. Love the diagnostic.
Born of God; Knowing God; God is love. Ephesians 5:1-2.
 - B. Love is the experience of God.
1John 4:12; John 15:13.
 - C. Love abides.
1John 4:12-13.
 - D. Love speaks.
1John 4:15; John 20:29.