

## How's Your Love Life?

Series – A Study of I John  
– I John 4:7-16 –

### 1. Love is Important Because of Who God Is

### 2. Love is Important Because of What God Has Done

*...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are **JUSTIFIED** freely by His grace through the **REDEMPTION** that came by Christ Jesus. God presented Him as a **SACRIFICE OF ATONEMENT** ("PROPIATION") through faith in His blood.*

*He did this to **demonstrate His justice**, because in His forbearance He had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished — He did it to **demonstrate His justice** at the present time, so as to be just and the One who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.*  
– Romans 3:23-26

### 3. Love is Important Because of Who We Are

#### Application Questions. . .

1. What part of the text or message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged, intrigued, or challenged?
2. Can you remember one of the first times you recognized that God loves you unconditionally?
3. Christian love is not a passing emotion, it is a permanent devotion. Do you agree or disagree?
4. Why is it important for our definition of love to begin with God and not our feelings or opinions of what love is?
5. What is the connection between God's love for us and the love we are to have for others?
6. From what you've seen so far in I John, discuss how much you agree or disagree with this statement: The only way a person can tell what he actually *believes* is to examine how he actually *behaves*.
7. If you want to do a better job at loving others, how should you go about it? What is the key to improving (see vss. 7-8, 15-16).

