

GOSPEL GUT CHECK: GOD IS LOVE, BUT ARE WE?

1 JOHN 4:7-16 (ESV)

I. As the wellspring of all love, God the Father, Son, and Spirit enjoy perfect _____ and _____ between the divine persons.

II. God _____ you _____ love.

A. As God-exalting image-bearers, we were made to _____

(1) _____, (2) one another, and (3) the _____.

B. We exist to love as _____ _____. That's what we were made for.

1. This love for which we were created is a suprahuman,

_____ love for God's _____ and our neighbor's _____ good.

C. _____ has _____ us from having the life of love we were made for.

1. Sin is, fundamentally, a _____ of love away from God, others, and the world, toward the _____.

2. Sin robs us of our created _____.

III. The God who created you for love _____ you to _____.

A. The cross and the _____ make it _____ for us to love as God does .

B. As God empowers us to love, we experience the _____ we were _____ for.

IV. If I exist to enjoy God and pursue my neighbor's greatest good, how does that _____ your _____ of yourself?