

1 John 4:15-21 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

¹⁵ **Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him,** and he in God. ¹⁶ We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. **God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.** ¹⁷ By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because **as He is, so also are we in this world.** ¹⁸ There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love. ¹⁹ **We love, because He first loved us.** ²⁰ If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. ²¹ And this commandment we have from Him, that **the one who loves God should love his brother also.**

1 John 4:2-3 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

² By this you know the Spirit of God: **every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God;** ³ and **every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; this is the spirit of the antichrist,** of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world.

1 John 2:22-23 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

²² Who is the liar but **the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, the one who denies the Father and the Son.** ²³ Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father; the **one who confesses the Son has the Father also.**

2 John 1:5-7 (New American Standard Bible (1995 Update))

⁵ Now I ask you, lady, **not as though I were writing to you a new commandment,** but the one which we have had from the beginning, **that we love one another.** ⁶ And this is love, that **we walk according to His commandments.** This is the commandment, just as you have heard from the beginning, that you should walk in it. ⁷ For **many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not acknowledge Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the antichrist.**