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God IS Love

1 John 4:8b God is love.

I have to admit that there is something significantly different about what we think love is and what love truly is. When we talk about love or try to define love, we usually try to describe how love works or what its attributes are. We try to think of ways love does things rather than what love is.

The Apostle John, also known as the one that Jesus loved, makes a statement in this very succinct verse. He simply says: God is love. Now we can think about all the ways God shows His love to us everyday; and we should. We can think about things He has done to prove His love for us; and we should. But the most important thing that I think we should do is just realize that love is not something that God has to do to prove His love to us. Instead, love is who He is! It is His character. And it is because of who He is that He manifests His love in everything He has done for us.

Isn't it crazy how we tend to look at things? We want the things we can see and touch and feel to prove love to us. God doesn't have to prove anything to us. He IS love. It is His nature. It is why He is perfect in all of His ways. Love is not a feeling; it is a commitment. God does what He does because of who He is. He is love. He is love. He is love.

And because of who God IS, then we can see why God does what He does. He created. He provided. He protects. He is our Banner. He is our Shield. He is our Fortress. He is our strong tower. He is our Atonement. He is our Healer. He is our Strength. He is our Father. He IS LOVE!

Thank You God that You are love. You are the epitome of love. You are perfect love. Thank You Father! In Jesus Name, Amen.