

SUNDAY MORNING (September 2nd) • “That You May Know” Test the Spirits (1 John 4:1-21)

Why can Christians not afford to “believe every spirit” (4:1a)?

Practically speaking, what does it mean to “test the spirits to see whether they are from God” (4:1b)?

On what authority can John assert that “many false prophets have gone out into the world” (4:1c)?

How would you summarize, in your own words, what John is warning about and prescribing in 4:2-6?

In what way is “love from God” (4:7)?

What is a “propitiation” (4:10)?

“By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit” (4:13). What does this mean?

What is John communicating when he writes, “By this is love perfected with us” (4:17)?

Why is there “no fear in love” (4:18a)?

“Whoever fears has not been perfected in love” (4:18b). In what way?