## The Cascades of Love – Part 1 God's Love for Us 1 John 4:7-21

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| l.  | The E | ternal Source of the Powerful Stream of God's Love   |
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| II. | The F | irst Cascade: God's Love for Us  |
|     | A. Lo | ve's Expression  |
|     | B. Lo | ve's Authenticating Evidence   |
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|     | C. Pr | actical Uses of this Doctrine  |
|     | 1.    | The sovereignty of God in salvation is firmly established as the foundation for saving faith.  |
|     | 2.    | The fact that love belongs to the very essence of God is a compelling  |
|     |       | encouragement to saving faith.   |
|     | 3.    | A firm grasp and growing enjoyment of God's love and grace toward us who believe is the prerequisite to, not the consequence of, our growth in holiness and obedience. |