

1 John 4:21-5:5 | Faith Conquers for Love

Defining love of God as loving the brothers

4:21 And this commandment we have from God:

that everyone who loves God must also love his brother and sister.

5:1 Everyone who trusts that Jesus is the Messiah has been fathered by God,

And everyone who loves this Father must also love anyone God has fathered.

Defining love of God as obeying his commands

5:2 By this we know that we love God's children, when we love God and obey his commandments,

5:3a for [REASON] this is what it means to love God, that we keep his commandments.

Defining the empowerment of this love—trusting in Jesus

5:3b And his commandments aren't burdensome,

5:4 because [REASON] everyone who has been fathered by God
...conquers the world.

And this is the *conquering* that has *conquered the world*—our trust.

5:5 And who is it that *conquers the world*...

but everyone who trusts that Jesus is God's Son?