**Series: Jesus Is**

**Today: Count the Ways**

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1. **Notice the Astounding Love of God**

*1 John 4:7-18*

*7Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 8Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.*

1. Notice the cost of God’s love.

*9This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.*

1. Notice the object of God’s love.

*10This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.*

1. Notice the desired result of God’s love.

*11Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 12No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.*

1. **You can and must rely on the love of God.**

*13This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. 14And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. 15If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. 16And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.*

1. **The love of God provides confidence for eternity.**

 *17This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. 18There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do*

***1 John 3:20***

*If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.*