# 1 JOHN

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Love In Action
1 John 3:11-24

**REVIEW: 1 John 3:4-10 (Practicing Righteousness)** 

**FOCUS VERSE**: 1 John 3:11-24

1. Love is a Matter of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 11-15)

1 John 3:11 For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 12 We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. 13 Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. 15 Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.

**John 13:34** A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. **35** By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

See Also: John 13:34-35, Genesis 4, Matt. 5:21-16

### 2. God's Love In Us Produces \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 16-18)

**1 John 3:16** By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. **17** But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? **18** Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

**James 2:15** If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, **16** and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

See Also: Gal. 5:13-14, Eph. 5:1-2

## 3. Love Gives Us \_\_\_\_\_\_ in our \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 19-24)

1 John 3:19 By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; 20 for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. 21 Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; 22 and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. 23 And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. 24 Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

**NOTES:** 

**Romans 8:14** For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. **15** For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" **16** The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, **17** and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

See Also: John 15:12-17, Hebrews 6:11-12, Romans 8

#### **Application & Reflection Questions**

- 1. John reminds us that just like it did for Cain, hatred produces death while Christ-like love produces life. What are the situations in your life that have produced anger or hatred recently? Bring them before the Lord in repentance and ask Him to change your heart.
- 2. God's love abiding in us should produce action! Pray about ways that you can show God's love through action this week, and do them! Consider sponsoring a child through Compassion as one of those ways.
- 3. Walking in love will produce confidence in the reality of our salvation. Spend some time this week reading Romans 8 and let the Holy Spirit remind you of your inheritance.

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