

Love One Another - 1 John 3:11-24

Topics: Basics of the Faith, Believers, Caring, Children, Compassion, Death, Disobedience, Eternal Life, Evil, God, Hardheartedness, Hatred, Heart, Holy Spirit, Hypocrisy, Jesus Christ, Life, Life-style, Love, Murder, Obedience, Poor, Prayer, Satan, World

Open It

- * 1. Who is someone (in history or alive today) whose life is an example of what it means to love?
- 2. Who is someone (in history or alive today) whose life is an example of what it means to hate?

Explore It

- 3. What message had the readers of 1 John heard from the beginning? (3:11)
- 4. Why did Cain murder his brother? (3:12)
- 5. About what should believers not be surprised? (3:13)
- 6. How can a person know that he or she has passed from death to life? (3:14)
- 7. What is the result of hating one's brother? (3:15)
- * 8. How do we know what love is? (3:16)
- 9. What question did the author ask his readers? (3:17)
- * 10. How should Christians love? (3:18)
- 11. What is God greater than? (3:20)
- 12. What is the result of not being condemned by one's heart? (3:21-22)
- 13. What is God's command? (3:23)
- * 14. What is the result of obeying God's command? (3:24)
- 15. How do believers know that God lives in them? (3:24)

Get It

- 16. How does the world hate believers today?
- 17. When have you experienced the hatred of the world?
- 18. What does it mean to love one's brother?
- * 19. When do you struggle with loving other Christians?
- * 20. How do you demonstrate your love for fellow believers?
- 21. Why do we struggle with loving other Christians with our material possessions?
- 22. Why is it easier to love with words rather than actions?
- 23. In what way does love result in life, and hate result in death?

Apply It

- * 24. For what fellow Christian whom you have difficulty loving will you do something kind this week?
- 25. How can you use your material possessions to love another believer this week?
- 26. What specific step will you take this week to put your love for another Christian into action?