



HEART OF HOLINESS IS LOVE

I JOHN 3:11-24

JOHN USES WORD PICTURES AND CONTRASTS

- Love - hate
- Light - dark
- Life - death
- Real - counterfeit
- Truth - lies
- Knowledge - ignorance
- Confessing - denying
- Openness - deception
- Righteousness - Sin
- Good - evil
- World - eternity

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TRUTH - OBEDIENCE - EXPERIENCE
LIFE - LIGHT - LOVE
KNOW - DO - EXPERIENCE

Three intersecting teachings of 1 John

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- Faith - Love working “faith without works is dead”
- Peace - Love resting “fruit of the Spirit is ... peace”
- Hope - Love trusting “Abraham believed God”
- Fear - Love absent “perfect love casts out fear.”
- Heart of holiness is love

1. OUR MESSAGE FROM THE BEGINNING VS. 11

- “Greatest of these is love.”
- The supreme ethic God has given us is love.
- The peak of intellectual and emotional refinement is love.
- Love places value on the person, sees them as something to be protected. Value and love are the supreme ethic of God.

2. THIS IS HOW WE KNOW WHAT LOVE IS, JESUS SHOWED US! VS. 16

- Very Practical – don't make it complicated, or religious!
 - “Opportunity” – whoever. How we use our opportunity is important.
 - “Sees” – don't close your eyes and give. See and know what you are doing.
 - “Brother” – relationship in giving is important.
 - Heart is moved – sign that it is real love. A true holy life!

3. THIS IS HOW WE KNOW LOVE. VS. 19

- Not “know” as in deduce.
- Not “know” as in prove our love. Our actions many times prove the opposite!
- Rather “know” as in experience God’s love. Reassured in our hearts. We know his love for us!