

I JOHN – LESSON 6

I. KNOWING THE CHARACTER OF LOVE (3:13-24)

- A. Because of your righteous acts, you will be hated by the world (v. 13).
- B. You have passed out of death into life if you love your brother (v. 14).
- C. You are a murderer if you hate your brother (v. 15).
- D. Christ's manifestation of true love manifested in self-sacrifice for brethren's well-being (v. 16-18).
- E. Loving according to truth gives us assurance before an omniscient and personal God (v. 19-22).
- F. Two-fold commandment for pleasing God: believe on the name of the Son, and love one another (v. 23-24).
 - 1. Keeping God's commandments objective standard for abiding in God
 - 2. The source of the commandments is the Spirit.

QUESTIONS:

1. Why should we not marvel if the world hates us?
2. What are you before God if you hate your brother?
3. What do we know for sure about the destiny of one who hates his brother?
4. What specific example of love should we know and remember?
5. How can we apply Jesus' example of love in our lives?
6. "My little children, let us not love in _____, neither with the _____; but in _____ and _____."
7. How does the above statement help us in having assurance before God?
8. What is an important condition for receiving our prayer requests?
9. How is God's "commandment" made of "two" specific precepts?