

A Study of 1 John

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Lesson 13: "9th Test: Do You Love Other Christians?" 1 John 3:10-21

Let's look at the concept of fellowship and what the Bible has to say:

Read John 13:34-35. How are others to know that we belong to Christ?

Read Acts 2:42. What are some of things we are to do with one another?

Read 2 Corinthians 6:14. What caution is given in regards to fellowship?

Go back through and read Genesis 4:1-15 as a reminder to what Cain did to Abel. Note the heart of Cain and contrast that with 1 John 3:12. To whom did Cain really belong?

Verses 13-15 of our lesson today told us that hatred is the same as murder. What are some other analogies that Jesus made in His earthly ministry where a heart motive was the same as the action?

Find the verse(s) in James where it talks about our actions or deeds reflecting who we truly are. (hint...chapter 2)

What are some practical ways in which you can show love for the body of Christ?

Are you prepared to do something for a sibling in Christ that might cause you to have to do without for a period of time, whether that be comforts, time, or money?

Ask the Lord how you can be intentional in helping the body of Christ at your church and other places where you will encounter believers.