

Love One Another in Christ

1 John 3:11-24

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I. Four types of love

- A. Agape – Selfless, unconditional love.
- B. Eros – Romantic or passionate love.
- C. Philia – Brotherly or friendship love.
- D. Storge – Family love

II. The true spirit of murder (v. 11-12, Genesis 4:4-5)

- A. To expect God to accept us on our terms (v. 13-14, Genesis 4:6-7).
- B. To hate your brother without cause. (Genesis 4:8, Matthew 5:21-22)

III. Love in deeds and truth (v. 17-18, 1 John 4:20)

- A. Gives us confidence of heart (v. 19-20, 1 Corinthians 4:4-5)
- B. Gives us the ear of the father. (v. 22, Psalm 34:15, John 8:29)
- C. Reveals our faith is Christ Jesus. (v. 23-24, Matthew 22:39, John 14:23)

IV. Closing Scriptures

- A. 1 Corinthians 13:13
- B. John 15:19-13

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read 1 John 3:11-24
2. Discuss how the four types of love glorify God when led by the Spirit.
3. Discuss the dangers of envy and covetousness in our Christian life.
4. Discuss practical ways we can demonstrate love through our deeds and truth.
5. Why is it so important that we seek the ear of the father?
6. Join us Wednesday night as we pray for God to bind our church, in and through His love.