1 PETER Love and the New Birth 1 Peter 1:22-25

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1. \_\_\_\_\_ believers are in covenant with God because they have been redeemed by Christ, therefore they are to love one another.

"One's covenant relationship with God is never an \_\_\_\_\_\_ matter." - Karen Jobes

- a. Believers have been set apart to God by obedience to the truths of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. As an important \_\_\_\_\_\_ of true holiness, Christians are to grow in genuine love for one another.
- 2. All believers are to love one another because they have been born again and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a necessary part of their new nature.
  - a. The new birth that God brings about is a \_\_\_\_\_\_ transformation that results in love for God and for their neighbor.
  - b. The blessing of being born again is far superior to the greatest glories of \_\_\_\_\_.

- c. \_\_\_\_\_ brings about the new birth through the living and enduring Word of God.
  - 1) It is by the Word of God that believers are given spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2) The Word of God \_\_\_\_\_\_ forever therefore God's people can always trust it.
  - When circumstances are \_\_\_\_\_\_ and believers are tempted to doubt and be discouraged, they can be assured that the promises of the Word of God are trustworthy.
  - 4) It is the \_\_\_\_\_ Word of God that was spoken by Isaiah to the people of Judah, that was also spoken by Peter to the people of Asia Minor, and is now spoken to believers in the twenty-first century.