

The Source for Love

I John 2:7-11

Introduction:

7 Beloved, I am not writing a new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word which you have heard. 8 On the other hand, I am writing a new commandment to you, which is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away, and the true light is already shining. 9 The one who says he is in the light and yet hates his brother is in the darkness until now. 10 The one who loves his brother abides in the light and there is no cause for stumbling in him. 11 But the one who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going because the darkness has blinded his eyes

1. E_____ : 7-8

Do you have a new internal source of love?

A. The commandment to love is not _____ 7

1. This is not _____ teaching

John 13:34 *"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another"*

2 John 5 *"And now I beg you, lady, not as though I were writing you a new commandment but the one we have had from the beginning, that we love one another."*

2. The _____ you heard has not changed

I John 3:11, *"This is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another."*

Isaiah 40:8 *The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever.*

B. How we love others is _____ 8

1. The _____ of love is new

2. The _____ of love is new

3. The _____ of love is new

4. The _____ of love is new

Romans 5:5 *the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.*

Galatians 5:22 *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,*

1 John 4:19 *We love, because He first loved us.*

1 John 5:11 *This is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life.*

1 John 3:14 *We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren.*

Colossians 1:13 *For He delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son*

5. The _____ of love is new

Deuteronomy 6:5 and Leviticus 19:18 in Matthew 22: 36 *"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" 37 And He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' 38 "This is the great and foremost commandment. 39 "The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' 40 "On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets. "*

2. E_____ 9-11

Do you have the assurance that comes from Love?

A. Negatively 9 & 11

1. The test of the _____ 9

1 John 3:15 *Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer; and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.*

1 John 4:20 *If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen.*

2. The test of the _____ 11

James 2:9 *you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.*

B. Positively 10

1Corinthians 13:3 *And if I give all my possessions to feed the poor, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing.*

Conclusion:

1. The true Christian lives a _____ of love
2. Genuine Christ-like love is _____

John 13:35 *By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another*

3. Don't allow any root of _____ take hold in your heart

Hebrews 12:14 *Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord. 15 See to it that no one comes short of the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springing up causes trouble, and by it many be defiled;*

Step 1: _____ to God that you have sinned by harboring bitterness in your heart

Psalms 32:3 *When I kept silent {about my sin}, my body wasted away Through my groaning all day long.*

Step 2: Ask others to _____ that you will do the right thing

James 5:16 *"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed."*

Step 3– Go to the person who offended you and _____ forgive them

Matthew 18:21 *"Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" 22 Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven."*

4. Come to the only _____ of love