

1 JOHN

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ABIDING & ABOUNDING
IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST

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14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. **15** Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.

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his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. **17** But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? **18** Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

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Genesis 4:1 Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, “I have gotten a man with the help of the Lord. ” **2** And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground.

1. The surprising truth about **hate**

Genesis 4:3 In the course of time Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, 4 and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, 5 but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell.

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Genesis 4:6 The Lord said to Cain, “Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? 7 If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it. ”

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Genesis 4:8 Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him.

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Genesis 4:9 Then the Lord said to Cain,
“Where is Abel your brother? ” He said, “I
do not know; am I my brother’s keeper? ”

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Genesis 4:10 And the Lord said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood is crying to me from the ground. **11** And now you are cursed...

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Matthew 5:21 “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ **22** But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire.

1. The surprising truth about **hate**

**Hate flows from selfishness
and leads to death.**

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1 John 3:16 By this we know love, that
he laid down his life for us

2. The surprising truth about **love**

**Love is selfless self-sacrifice
for others.**

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Matthew 5:44 Love your enemies and
pray for those who persecute you

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Galatians 6:10 So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

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3. The surprising **power to love**

Ephesians 2:1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins **2** in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—

3. The surprising **power to love**

Ephesians 2:3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

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Ephesians 2:4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, **5** even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved—

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Ephesians 2:6 and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, **7** so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

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John 3:16 For God so loved the world,
that he gave his only Son, that whoever
believes in him should not perish but
have eternal life.

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***Jesus passed from life to death,
so we could pass from death to life.***

2. The surprising truth about **love**

2 Corinthians 5:14 **For the love of Christ compels us**, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; **15** and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

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Hebrews 12:24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

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