The Hatred of the World
1 John 3:13

1. _____ the Source

It is the world, under the influence of the evil one, who stands with malice against Christ and His church. To stand with Christ is to put yourself in opposition to the ruler of this world.

Matthew 24:9 ~ "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake."

Other Scriptures:

- **John 8:44**
- **Ephesians 6:12**
- **John 17:14**

2. _____ their Animosity

It is genuine animosity, not merely disdain or disagreement that exists between the world and the LORD. And we who belong to Christ will find ourselves on the receiving end of their hatred.

Matthew 10:25 ~ "It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household."

Other Scriptures:

- **John 3:19**
- **Genesis 37:4**
- **1 Peter 4:4**

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3. _____ Your History

It is a foolish thing to forget that the history of the church, of all the generations of the saints, from the days of Abel through today, is filled with hatred against God's people.

Matthew 5:11-12 ~ "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Other Scriptures:

- **Acts 8:1**
- **1 Peter 4:12-13**
- **Matthew 23:29-35**

John 15:19

"If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you."

Truth to Remember:

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Actions to Take:

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