

# 1ST JOHN - THE WAYS OF THOSE THAT WALK IN THE LIGHT

## Lesson 4

**Review:** John states that further evidence of Walking in the Light is Walking in Love. As we reciprocate God's love towards us through obedience, He replicates the measure of His love both in us and through us.

### I. LOVING AS HE LOVED IS MANIFESTED AS LOVE PERFECTED - I John 2:3-11

- A) Seen in our love for the SAINTS - I Jn. 2:7-11 / 3:11-16 / 4:20-21
- B) Seen in our love for the LOST - John 3:16 / II Cor. 5:14
- C) Seen in our love for our ENEMIES - Matt. 5:43-48

### II. LOVE BEING PERFECTED LEADS TO A MATURITY LEVEL REFLECTED - I Jn. 2:12-14

- A) Little children - The faith of fresh FORGIVENESS
- B) Fathers - The faith of FULL knowledge - His Word, His Ways, His Wisdom
- C) Young men - The faith to FIGHT the enemy- Spiritual Warfare
  - 1) Strength to REAP the harvest
  - 2) Zeal to RIGHT the wrongs
  - 3) Power to RESIST the devil

### III. LOVE PERFECTED MEANS A LOVE FOR THE WORLD IS REJECTED - I John 2:15-17

- A) We recognize its SOURCE - SATAN - II Cor. 4:3-4 / Jn. 12:31-32
- B) We resist the pull of its SYSTEM - Rom. 12:1-2 / James 4:1-4
  - 1) The system that DENIES God
  - 2) The system that DEFIES God
  - 3) The system that DISTRACTS us from God
  - 4) The system that DEFILES us in the eyes of God
- C) We realize the vanity of SUBSTANCE - Luke 12:15-34
- D) We remember its judgment is SURE - I John 2:17

**Next Lesson:** Defining and Defying the Lust of the Flesh, Lust of the Eyes and Pride of Life