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

Review: John continues to unveil this "self-diagnostic test" design to reveal the validity of one's salvation; and secondly, to evaluate the reality of one's spirituality.

WALKING IN THE LIGHT RESULTS IN A WALK OF LOVE PERFECTED - LJn. 2:3-6

I. WHAT IS LOVE PERFECTED IS AND WHERE DOES IT BEGIN?
A) Perfected - the state or character of completion, fullness, maturation - Gal. 5:22
B) Love - to sacrificially provide, promote and protect the best interest of the one I love
1) God REVEALS His perfect love - I John 4:9-10 / Romans 5:8
2) We RECEIVE His perfect love - I John 4:16
3) We RECIPROCATE His love perfectly - 1 John 4:19
4) God REPLICATES His perfect love in us
5) God RELEASES His perfect love through us
II. HOW WE RECIPROCATE HIS LOVE PERFECTLY - I John 2:5 / John 14:15
A) The obedient love of DELIGHT - of our pleasure
B) The obedient love of DEVOTION - for His pleasure
C) The obedient love of DUTY - for His purposes
D) The obedient love of SELF-DENIAL - to yield a pleasure
E) The obedient love of DENYING SELF - to embrace pain
III. HOW GOD REPLICATES HIS PERFECT LOVE IN US - John 14:21-24 / Matt. 22:35-40
A) We will EXPERIENCE the fullness of His love towards us
B) We will EXPRESS the fullness of His love towards others
IV. WHERE GOD RELEASES HIS PERFECT LOVE THROUGH US
A) He will release it towards the <u>SAVED</u>
 Proving we are truly walking in the light - I John 2:7-11 Proving we are truly saved - I John 3:11-18 Proving we truly love God - I John 4:20-21
B) He will release it towards the LOST - II Cor. 5:14
C) He will release it towards our ENEMIES - Matt. 5:43-48