



HOW CAN I KNOW I'M TRULY A FOLLOWER OF JESUS?

The **doctrinal** test – Truth. "Do you _____ the truth?"

The **moral** test – Righteousness. "Does your belief lead to _____?"

The **social** test – Love. "Does your obedience _____?"

3 QUESTIONS:

1. Who is our _____ of love?
2. What does _____ look like?
3. How can we be _____ in both God's love for us and our love for one another?

MAIN IDEA: As followers of Jesus, the clearest expression of convictions comes through our _____ for one another.

1. The _____ of Love. (v.11-16)

"For this is the _____ we have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another." (v.11)

"We should not be like _____, who was of the evil one and _____ . And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brothers righteous." (v.12)

" _____ brothers that the world hates you. We know we have passed out of death and into life, because _____ . Whoever does not love abides in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him." (v.13-15)

" _____ , that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers." (v.16)



2. What does love _____? (v.17-18)

"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? Little children, let us love not in word or talk but _____." (v.17-18)

3. The Spirit of _____. (v.19-24)

"By _____ [the obedience and love exhibited in our lives v.11-18], we shall _____ [be confident] that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before Him, for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and He knows everything." (v.19-20)

"Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we _____ and do what pleases Him." (v. 21-22)

"And this is His commandment, that we _____ in the name of His Son Jesus Christ and _____, just as He commanded us." (v.23)

"Whoever keeps His commands abides in God, and God in him. And _____ that He abides in us, by the Spirit He has given us." (v.24)

APPLY IT

- Love with _____.

"[Love] rejoices with the _____." -1 Corinthians 13:6

- Love with _____.

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know you are My disciples, _____ for one another." -John 13:34-35

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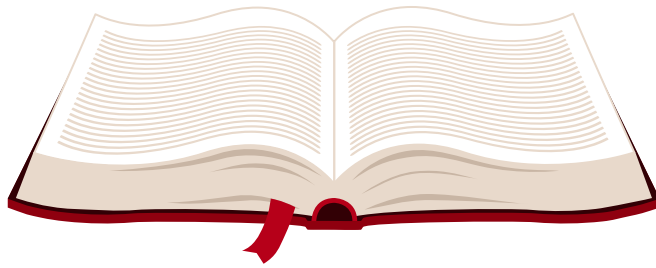
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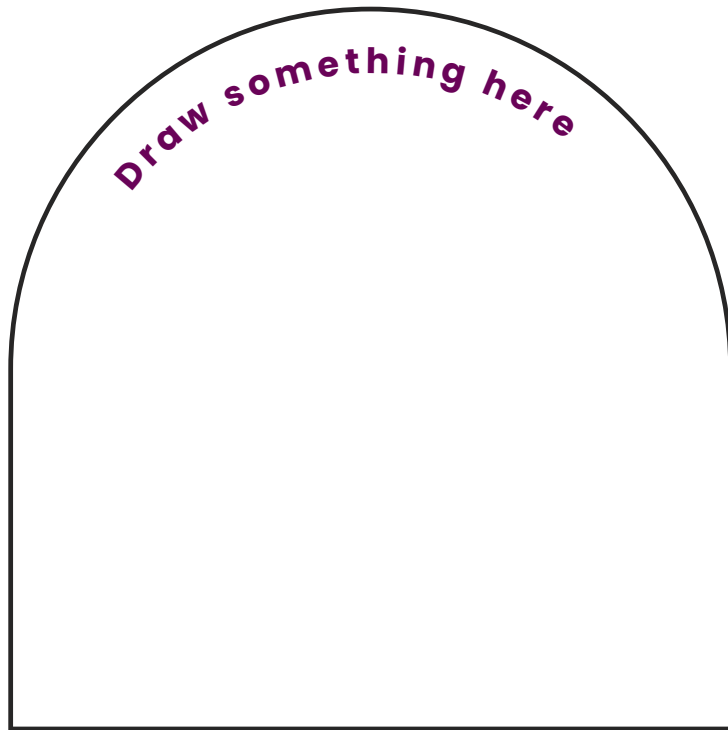
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My Favorite song we sang:



Main Idea

As followers
of Jesus,
the clearest
expression of
convictions
comes
through
our
compassion
for one
another.



**Words
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John 1:5 • Word Search

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