



Outline – Sunday School June 23, 2019

Sermon Title: The Test of LOVE, “Evidence of Life”

Text: 1 John 3:11-18

1. The **ancient Message**: to *Love*. - v. 11
 - a. The message 'to love one another' is a **command**. - 2 John 1:5/John 13:34-35/1 John 4:21
 - b. The message '*to love one another*' requires a **cost**. - John 3:16

2. The **affirming Marks**: of *Life*. - vv. 12-15
 - a. A **negative example**: Cain. - v. 12/Gen. 3:15; 4:1-15, 25/1 John 3:8
 - b. A **necessary enemy**: The world. - v. 13/Matt. 5:10-12; 10:22/Luke 6:22-28/John 15:19
 - c. A **new birth experience**: Manifested by love. - v. 14a/John 5:24/Gal. 5:22/1 Peter 1:22-23
 - d. A **nullifying expression**: Hatred (**is**) Murder disqualifies ones from eternal life. - v. 14b-15/
1 John 2:9, 11

3. Our **archetypal Model**: Our *Lord!* - vv. 16-18
 - a. Our **covenantal perception** of Love: God died for me/For us. - v. 16a/John 10:15-30/Acts 20:28/
Titus 2:13-14
 - b. Our **corresponding practice** out of debt for Christ: Lay it down for one another. - v. 16b/Eph. 5:1-2/
John 15:12-13/Rom. 13:8
 - c. The **compassionless person** who's void of the Love of God: only talks love. - v. 17/James 2:14-18/
1 John 4:20
 - d. Our **conduct proves** our love: Our deeds according to truth, not words. - vv. 17-18/Rom. 12:9/
Gal. 5:13