

WALKING IN LOVE
(1 John 4:7-21) Pt. 1

I. THE BASIS OF FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD (1 John 1:1-2:27)... is learning to Abide In God's Light – His Truth – learning to walk in the light of Apostolic teaching.

II. THE BEHAVIOR OF SONSHIP WITH GOD (1 John 2:28-5:21)... is learning to Abide in God's Love. (by means of the HS)

A. MANIFESTING GOD'S LOVE (4:7-21)

1. Beloved, let us _____ , for love is ____ God! (4:7a)

2. Two things could be stated concerning those who love: (4:7b)

a) Such a person is _____ of God or _____

b) Such a person _____ God _____

- Why does he state this? (4:8b)

3. In this... a _____ , the “love of God” was _____ toward sinful men & women

- How was this love demonstrated? (4:9b)

a) in God sending His _____ into the world

- What does this term “*only begotten Son*” mean?

b) that we _____ through Him.

4. The love of God was demonstrated in the sending of God's Son to provide a _____ for our sins! (4:10)

- What does this mean?

5. God's love is further understood by realizing that this sacrifice produced:

a) A terrible _____ for God's one & only Son, but a wonderful _____ for _____ sinners.

b) Even more amazing is the fact that God's Son was _____, while we were wretchedly _____.

6. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also _____ to _____ one another (4:11)

7. It appears it is God's intention that God's love toward a world of lost sinners is to be _____ through _____ to others.

- How is this possible?

8. The invisible God that no one has ever seen is deeply _____ in this. (4:12)

- How will this be realized?

a. By God _____ (remaining or being at home) in those who love one another,

b. God's love has been _____ in those that love one another.

Colossians 1:27-ff

1 Corinthians 13

Col 3:8-14

2 Peter 1:2-9

- What kind of implications should this have for believers?
- What implications has John's teaching about love have toward those who were denying Jesus as the Son of God?
- What personal implications does this have for you?