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# 1 JOHN: LIGHT AND LOVE

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## The Response of Love

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1 John 3:11-24

### The Battle (vs 11-15)

Love vs. Hate = Good vs. Evil

Love vs. Hate = Righteousness vs. Murder

Grace received is grace extended.

### The Model (vs 16-18)

Jesus laid down His life...we must also

Literally: With our lives

Sacrificially: With our actions

### The Result (vs 19-24)

The truth of our faith is shown in our love/  
actions

Believe and love, they go together

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## Going Deeper

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We encourage you to get into God's word this week. Below is a daily reading plan to help you read the Bible each day and learn more about today's message. This short investment of time will pay off huge dividends in your knowledge of God's Word and your relationship with God. Below each reading is a question or two to reflect on throughout your day. If you are journaling you can write down your response and whatever else you got out of it (e.g. what the Holy Spirit is telling you).

#### Day 1: 1 John 3:11-24

- Review your sermon notes... Does your love reflect Jesus' love to those around you? How might you improve that?

#### Day 2: Genesis 4:1-16

- What causes you to get angry? How do you respond to your anger? How can you - today - learn to let go of things that lead you away from love.

#### Day 3: Matthew 5:21-26

- Consider how your heart matters along with your actions. Is there anyone you need to reconcile with?

#### Day 4: Matthew 5:43-48

- Another step in love. Do you pray for and love your enemies? Is your love like others or does it stand out? How?

#### Day 5: Luke 23:26-43

- What specific instances of love do we see/hear from Jesus in this passage? How can you apply this to your life today?

#### Day 6: John 13:31-38

- (vs. 34-35) What would your love look like to indicate you are a disciple of Christ? What would need to change?

#### Day 7: Genesis 50:15-21

- How does Joseph show love to his brothers? How does his perspective of God affect how he forgives his brothers? How does your relationship with God affect your other relationships?