

“The Revealing Work of Brotherly Love”

1 John 3:10-18

Message Title: “The Revealing Work of Brotherly Love”

I. Brotherly Love Reveals **Genuine Salvation** (3:10b)

II. Brotherly Love Reveals **God’s Message** (3:11)

1 John 1:5 “This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you,…”

John 15:12-13 “**This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.** <sup>13</sup> **Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.**”

2 John 5 “And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another.”

Romans 12:10 “*Be* kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;”

1 Peter 1:22 “Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, *see that ye* love one another with a pure heart fervently:”

III. Brotherly Love Reveals **Man’s Allegiance** (3:12-18)

a. Man’s Allegiance to Satan is Revealed Through **Wicked Actions** (3:12)

b. Man’s Allegiance to Satan is Revealed Through **Attitudes of Hate** (3:13,15)

c. Man’s Allegiance to Satan is Revealed Through **Selfishness** (3:17)

d. Man’s Allegiance to Christ is Revealed Through **Sacrificial Brotherly Love** (3:16)

John 15:13 “**Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.**”

e. Man’s Allegiance to Christ is Revealed Through **Generous Brotherly Love** (3:17)

Acts 2:44-45 “And all that believed were together, and had all things common; <sup>45</sup> And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.”

f. Man’s Allegiance to Christ is Revealed Through **Active Brotherly Love** (3:18)

g. Man’s Allegiance to Christ is Revealed Through **Impartial Brotherly Love** (3:18)

IV. **Application**

“Many have the Word in their mind and memory, but not in their lives. The truly blessed men are those that consider it a great obligation to obey it.”