

THE STUDY OF I JOHN

This study is designed to encourage you to begin to develop a solid foundation for the book or epistle you are studying. In each study you will find a brief background on the book or letter, general themes found in the book, a list of key words found within the chapter and a set of questions can be answered directly from the verse provided at the end of the question.

Please plan to read the book or letter in its entirety first then begin the study. You will need a pen, a note pad, and your Bible. Once you've read through the entire book go back to the beginning and read the first chapter. Circle key words in that chapter. Compare your key words with the key words listed in the study. Now read the chapter again, and mark in your margin, key points. Jot down key points on your own note pad.

Answer the questions for chapter one. You will find the answer in the verse provided at the end of the question. When you have finished the questions, retitle the chapter. The names and subtitles are not divinely inspired but placed there to give clarity. This exercise will help you develop in your own mind, the important aspects of each chapter. Proceed in this fashion until you finish the course of study. You will find that when the study is repeated you will glean new and fresh revelation each time. Before you begin however, begin in prayer asking the Lord to give you revelation and understanding.

1. Read the entire book or epistle in one day if possible.
2. Next, read the 1st chapter marking all key words.
3. Compare your key words with those listed in the study.
4. Make a note in the margin of the key points in each chapter
5. Jot down the key points on your own note pad.
6. Read the chapter again.

7. Answer the questions for each chapter and retitl the chapter.

When you complete the study you should have a solid foundational understanding of what the author was conveying through the power of the Holy Spirit. Small group studies or Sunday school classes will find it extremely helpful to allow for open discussion after each chapter. Plan on covering one half a chapter per week if you do have discussion. If you are not in a small group or Adult Bible Fellowship, then you may want to encourage a friend to join you in your study. Now lets begin.

Written by John

John the beloved, self-defined as the "presbyter or the elder"

Themes -Eternal Life, Abide, fellowship

Chapter 1

1. John writes, what they had heard, seen with their eyes, beheld, handled concerning the _____ of Life which is _____. Vs 1
2. According to John, what was manifested? Vs 2
3. John stands as witness and also proclaims what was with the Father and was _____ to them. Vs 2
4. He made such proclamations so that the reader may have _____ with them, and their fellowship is with the _____ and with His _____, _____. Vs 3
5. Why did he write these things? So that their _____ may be made _____. Vs 4

6. From whom did they hear this message? Vs 4
7. God is _____. Vs 5
8. If you walk in the _____ but claim to have fellowship with God you _____ and do not practice _____. Vs 6
9. If we walk in the _____ then we have _____ with one another. Vs 7
10. The _____ of _____ cleanses us from all _____. Vs 7
11. If you say you have no _____, You are _____ yourself and the _____ is not in you. Vs 8
12. If we _____ our sins, God will _____ our sins. Vs 9
13. If we _____ our sins, God will _____ us from all unrighteousness. Vs 10

List Key Points

Key Words

Word of Life

Fellowship

Darkness

Light

Confess

Cleanse

Chapter 2

1. Why did John write these things? So you might not _____. Vs 1
2. Who is our advocate with the Father? _____ Vs 1
3. Jesus Christ is the _____ for our sins. Vs 2
4. Define propitiation.
5. Was Jesus an atoning sacrifice for the whole world or just a select few?
Vs 2
6. How do we know that we have come to know Him? By keeping His
_____. Vs 3
7. The one who claims to know Him but does not keep His commandments
is a _____. Vs 4
8. The Love of God has been perfected in the one who keeps His
_____. Vs 5
9. The one who _____ in Him should _____ as He
_____. Vs 6
10. What is the old commandment that John is writing? It is the
_____ which you've _____. Vs 7
11. The new commandment is that the _____ is passing away and the
true _____ is already shining. Vs 8
12. If you hate your brother you are in _____ until now. Vs 9
13. If you love your brother you abide in _____. Vs 10

14. The one who _____ his brother is in _____ and walks in _____ and does not know where he is going because the darkness has brought on _____. Vs 11
15. John was writing to the beloved because their sins had been _____, for His name's _____. Vs 12
16. The fathers knew God and the young men have _____ the evil one. Vs 13
17. The young men were strong and the _____ of God _____ in them, and they have _____ the evil one. Vs 14
18. John admonishes the church not to _____ the world. Vs 15
19. If anyone _____ the world, the _____ of the Father is not in them. Vs 15
20. What are three things listed here to define the world being in them? the lust of the _____, the lust of the _____, and the boastful _____ of life. Vs 16
21. The world is _____ away. Vs 17
22. The lusts of this world are _____ away. Vs 17
23. The one who does the _____ of the God _____ forever. Vs 17
24. What time is it now? it is the _____. Vs 18
25. The _____ is coming. Vs 18
26. Many _____ have arisen. Vs 18
27. How do we know it is the last hour? Vs 18
28. Those who went out from them were not of _____. Vs 19

29. You have an _____ from the Holy One. Vs 20
30. John wrote them because they _____ the truth. Vs 21
31. Who is the liar? The one that _____ Jesus is the _____ Vs 22
32. Who is the antichrist? The one who _____ the _____ and the _____ Vs 23
33. The one who _____ the Son does not have the _____. Vs 23
34. What are we to let abide in us? Vs 24
35. What is the promise he made to us? Vs 25 _____
36. John wrote concerning those who were trying to _____ them. Vs 26
37. If the _____ abides in you then you have no need for anyone to _____ you about all things. God has already put that truth into your heart. Vs 27
38. If the Holy One abides in you, then you _____ in Him Vs 27
39. John admonishes the reader to _____ in Him Vs 28
40. If we abide in Him we will have _____ when He appears and will not _____ away from Him in _____ at His coming. Vs 28
41. All those who practice _____ is born of Him. He is _____ Vs 29

Key Points

Key Words

Propitiation

Advocate

Abide

Commands

Hate

Love Light

Overcome

Lusts of the world

Lusts of the eye

Pride of Life

Antichrist

Anointing

Righteousness

Eternal Life

Chapter 3

1. The _____ of God has been bestowed upon us and we are called _____ of God. Vs 1
2. The world does not _____ us because they did not _____ Him. Vs 1
3. When He appears we will be _____ Him. Vs 2
4. Everyone who has their _____ fixed on Him, _____ himself, just as He is _____. Vs 3
5. Everyone who _____ sin also practices _____. Lawlessness is _____. Vs 4
6. Why did He appear? To take away _____. Vs 5
7. In Him there is no _____. Vs 5
8. No one who _____ in Him _____. Vs 6
9. No one who _____ has seen Him or knows Him. Vs 6
10. The one who practices _____ is _____. Vs 7
11. The one who practices _____ is of the _____. Vs 8
12. The Devil has _____ from the _____. Vs 8
13. No one is born of God practices _____, because His _____ abides in him and cannot _____ because he is _____ of God. Vs 9
14. How are the children of God and the children of the devil made obvious? The Children of God practice _____, and the children of the devil do not _____ their brothers. Vs 10
15. What is the message you've heard from the beginning? Vs 11
16. Cain was _____ and he _____ his brother. Vs 12

17. He killed his brother because his deeds were _____ and his brother's were _____. Vs 12
18. Believers, the world _____ you. Vs 13
19. Believers have passed out of death into _____ because we _____ the brethren. Vs 14.
20. He who does not love abides in _____. Vs 14
21. Everyone who _____ his brethren is a _____. Vs 15
22. If you hate or are a murderer then you do not have eternal _____ abiding in you. Vs 15
23. We know _____ by this, that He laid down His _____ for us. Vs 16
24. We should lay down our _____ for the brethren. Vs 16
25. If you close your heart from your brother who is in need, then how can the _____ of God abide in you. Vs 17
26. Believers are to _____ not in word or with the tongue but in _____ and in _____. Vs 18
27. Is there a way to know we are of the truth? Vs 19
28. If our hearts condemns us, God is greater than our _____ Vs 20
29. If our heart does not condemn us we have _____ before the Lord. Vs 21
30. When we ask, we receive because we keep His _____ and do the things that are _____ in His sight. Vs 22
31. What is His commandment? That we believe in His _____, _____ and _____ one another. Vs 23

32. The one who keeps His _____ abides in _____ and He in him. Vs 24

Key Points

Love

Purify

Abide

Practice Sin

Practice Righteousness

Death

The works of the Devil

List the Key Words

Chapter 4 Antichrist Spirit

1. We are warned not to _____ every spirit. Vs 1
2. We are commanded to _____ every spirit to see if they are from God. Vs 1
3. Many _____ prophets have gone out into the world. Vs 1
4. How do you know the Spirit of God? They confess that _____ has come in the _____. Vs 2
5. Every spirit who does not confess that Jesus is from God, this is the spirit of the _____. Vs 3

6. Is the spirit of antichrist already in the world? Vs 4
7. Have you as a believer overcome the spirit of antichrist? Vs 4
8. Greater is He who is in the believer than he with is in the _____.
Vs 5
9. He who knows God _____ to us. (John) Vs 6
10. Those not from God does not listen to _____. Vs 6
11. John admonishes us to _____ one another, Vs 7
12. Love is from _____. Vs 7
13. Everyone who _____ is _____ of God and knows _____ Vs 7
14. The one who does not _____ does not know God because God
is _____. Vs 8
15. How was the love of God manifest in us? Vs 9
16. Jesus was sent into the world so that we might _____ through
Him. Vs 9
17. God first _____ us and sent His _____ to be the
_____ for our sins. Vs 10
18. Define propitiation.
19. If God loved us, we should _____ one another. Vs 11
20. If we _____ one another, God _____ in us, and His
_____ is _____ in us. Vs 12
21. How do we know He abides in us? Because he has given us His
_____. Vs 13

22. John bears witness that God sent His Son to be the _____ of the world. Vs 14

23. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the _____ of God, God _____ in Him, and he in Him. Vs 15

24. We have come to believe the _____ God has for us. Vs 16

25. God is _____. Vs 16

26. The one who _____ in love, _____ in God. Vs 16

27. Love has been _____ with us, that we might have _____ in the day of _____. Vs 17

28. As he is, so are we in the _____. Vs 17

29. There is no _____ in _____. Vs 18

30. Fear involves _____ and the one who _____ is not _____ in love. Vs 18

31. Why do we love? Vs 19

32. If you say you love God and hate your brother you are a _____. Vs 20

33. If you do not love the brother you have seen you cannot _____ God whom you have not _____. Vs 20

34. The one who _____ God, should also _____ his brother. Vs 21

List Key Points

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False Prophets

Antichrist

Spirit of Antichrist

Born of God

Know God

Propitiation

Love

Bear Witness

Confesses Jesus

Perfected

Overcomes

Fear

Chapter 5

1. The one who believes that Jesus is the _____ is _____ of God. Vs 1
2. Whoever loves the _____ loves the _____. Vs 1
3. How do we know we love the children of God? We love _____ and keep His _____. Vs 2
4. The love of God is that we keep His _____ and His _____ are not _____. Vs 3

5. Whoever is born of God has _____ the world. Vs 4
6. Our _____: This is the _____ that has overcome the _____ . Vs 4
7. Who overcomes the world? The one who believes that Jesus the _____ of God. Vs 5
8. Jesus Christ came by _____ and by _____. Vs 6
9. Who bears witness that Jesus came by water and blood? The _____ Vs 7
10. How many bear witness: The _____, the _____, the _____ . Vs 8
11. Which is greater? The witness of man or the witness of God? Vs 9
12. The one who believes in the _____ of God has the witness in himself. Vs 10
13. The one who does not believe has made God a liar. Tor F Vs 10
14. The witness is this, that God has given us eternal _____ and this _____ is in His _____. Vs 11
15. He who has the _____ has _____. Vs 12
16. He who does not have the _____ does not have eternal _____. Vs 12
17. Who did John write these things to? Vs 13
18. Why did he write these things? In order that you might _____ that you have eternal life. Vs 13
19. This is the _____ we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His _____ He _____ us. Vs 14

20. If we know he hears is in whatever we ask, we know we have the _____ which we have _____ from _____. Vs 15
21. If we see a brother in sin not leading to death, we should ask God and God will give _____ to those who commit sin not leading to _____. Vs 16
22. Is there a sin leading to death? Vs 16
23. Should one pray for someone who is in sin that leads to death? Vs 16
24. All unrighteousness is _____. Vs 17
25. There is a sin not leading to _____ Vs 17
26. No one who is _____ of God _____. Vs 18
27. God keeps him and the evil one does not _____ him. Vs 18
28. We know we are of _____ and the whole world lies in the power of the _____ one. Vs 19
29. The Son of God has come and has given us _____ so that we might know Him who is _____. Vs 20
30. Believers are in Him who is _____ in His Son _____ . This is the _____ and eternal _____. Vs 20
31. Guard yourselves from _____. Vs 21

List Key Points

Key Words

Children of God

Children of the Devil

Overcome

Bear Witness

Spirit, Water, and Blood

Eternal Life

Know Him

Confidence

True God

Idols

Abide

Strong's 3306: to stay (in a given place) or state, relation, expectancy, abide, continue, dwell, endure, be present, remain, stay tarry, thine own.

And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he is revealed we may have confidence and not be put to shame before him at his coming. I John 2:28

1. Abide: Should walk as He (Jesus) walks.

Whoever says, "I abide in him," ought to walk just as he walked. I John 2:6

2. Abide: The Word is in you.

I write to you, children, because you know the Father. I write to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young people, because you are strong and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one. I John 2:14

3. Abide: You receive and believe the Gospel: the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. I John 2:24

4. Abide: One who loves his brother and does not hate.

Whoever loves a brother or sister lives in the light, and in such a person there is no cause for stumbling. I John 2:10

5. Abide: The one who does not love the world. The love of the world is in opposition to the love of God.

Do not love the world or the things in the world. The love of the Father is not in those who love the world; I John 2:15

6. Abide: One who rejects the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life.

for all that is in the world-the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, the pride in riches-comes not from the Father but from the world. I John 2:16

And the world and its desires are passing away, and also its lusts

but those who do the will of God live forever. I John 2:17

7. Abide: One who has received an anointing from God.

As for you, the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and so you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, abide in him. I John 2:27

8. Abide: One who practices righteousness:

Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. I John 2:7

9. Abide: One who abstains from sin.

Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. 8 Everyone who commits sin is a child of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The Son of God was revealed for this purpose, to destroy the works of the

devil. 9 Those who have been born of God do not sin, because God's seed abides in them; they cannot sin, because they have been born of God.

No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. 1 John 3:6

10. Abide: Those who have love one for another.

We know that we have passed from death to life because we love one another. Whoever does not love abides in death. 1 John 3:14

Hate is a tool of the devil. Hatred is in direct opposition to love.

All who hate a brother or sister are murderers, and you know that murderers do not have eternal life abiding in them. 1 John 2:15

11. Abide: One who's willing to help another in their moment of need.

How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? 1 John 3:17

12. Abide: One who obeys His commands.

All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us. I John 3:24

13. Abide: Those who walk by and have within, the Spirit of God.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.

14. Abide: Those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God.

God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. I John 4:15

15. Abide: Those who walk in love.

...So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

I John 4:16

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. I John 4:7

16. Abide: Those who have the Word of God within their heart.

I write to you, children, because you know the Father.
I write to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning.
I write to you, young people, because you are strong and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

Benefits of Abiding: Those who conquer and is not overcome by the world or the evil one.

for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. 5 Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? I John 5:4-5

...I write to you, young people, because you are strong and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one. I John 2:14