

I. God in his love provides a way for us to live a holy life (vs. 1a)

A. God's desire for his children is that we \_\_\_\_\_

(John 5:14) "Later, Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, 'See, you are well again. Stop sinning something worse may happen to you.'"

(John 8:11) "Neither do I condemn you, Jesus declared, 'Go now and leave your life of sin.'"

B. Jesus' death gives us pardon from \_\_\_\_\_

C. Jesus' death gives us freedom from \_\_\_\_\_

"But now you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness and the result is eternal life." (Romans 6:22)

"You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit." (Romans 8:9)

D. The Holy Spirit gives us the \_\_\_\_\_

II. God in his wisdom recognizes our weakness (vs. 1b)

A. He recognizes our \_\_\_\_\_

B. He recognizes our \_\_\_\_\_

C. He recognizes our \_\_\_\_\_

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but we have one who has been tempted in every way just as we are yet was without sin." (Hebrews 5:15)

III. God in his mercy provides an advocate (vs 1c-2)

A. Jesus Christ speaks in our \_\_\_\_\_

"Therefore, he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them." (Hebrews 7:25)

B. Jesus Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_

IV. God in his grace enters into relationship with us (vs. 3-6)

A. It is a relationship of \_\_\_\_\_

"Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent." (John 17:3)

B. It is a relationship of \_\_\_\_\_

“If you love me, you will obey what I command.” (John 14:15)

C. It is a relationship of \_\_\_\_\_

D. It is a relationship of \_\_\_\_\_

“Living a Life of Love”

I John 2:7-11

I. A life of love is an old commandment (vs. 7)

A. John is an example of a \_\_\_\_\_

B. A life of love has always been \_\_\_\_\_

C. We are reminded of what we \_\_\_\_\_

II. A life of love is a new commandment (v. 8)

A. It is new in the example of \_\_\_\_\_

B. It is new in the example of \_\_\_\_\_

C. It is new in the \_\_\_\_\_

D. It is new in the \_\_\_\_\_

III. A life of love must be lived out (v. 9-11)

A. Hatred toward God’s family proves we are living in \_\_\_\_\_

1. A false profession of love is \_\_\_\_\_

2. Hatred toward God’s family reveals we are \_\_\_\_\_

3. Hatred towards God’s family reveals we are \_\_\_\_\_

B. Love towards God’s family proves we are living in the \_\_\_\_\_

1. Love towards God’s family reveals our \_\_\_\_\_

2. Love towards God’s family helps others from \_\_\_\_\_

3. Love towards God’s family is following the \_\_\_\_\_

“My command is this. Love each other as I have loved you.” (John 15:12)