

Series: Fellowship Divine

Title: Abiding In Christ

Text: (1 Jn 2:3-17)

I. Abiding is to Keep His Commandments: (1 Jo 2:3-8)

A. Obedience to Divine Commands: (Vs 3-5)

1. We Know. (vs 3) (Ro 12:1-2)
2. We Keep. (1 Jn 2:3) (Rom 6:14)
3. We Keepeth Not. (1 Jn 2:4)(2 Tim 3:5)
4. Keeping His Word is Hoe we knowwe are in Him.
 - a. Proof of Salvation. (1 Jn 2:5) (Jn 5:30)

B. Our Walk. (1 Jn 2:6)

1. Abiding in Him
2. Walking in Him.
3. Christ in Us: (II Co 5:17, Gal 3:27, Phil 3:9)
4. Reproduction of His character and life in our life: (Eph 5:1)(Acts 9:6, 20) (I Pet 2:21)
5. A walk consistent with a possession.
6. A walk in accordance with a possession.
7. Sent of God. (John 17: 16, 18)

C. New Commandment. (1 Jn 2:7-8)

1. Had received Christ's Word from the beginning.
2. Moses viewed love as embodying all the law. (Deut 6:5, Matt 22:37)
3. Chief excellence of the Light is Love. (John 13:34)

II. Abiding is to Love Our Brethren: (1 Jo 2:9-14)

A. Love the Brethren. (1 Jn 2:9-11)

1. Saith deals with a false profession. (1 Jn 2:9)
2. Hating. Hatred is Counter to the Manifestation of Christ like Character. (1 Jn 3:15)

3. Loving. (1 Jn 2:10; 4:8,16)(Jn 3:16)(Rom 5:5)
4. No anger, pride, envy, revenge. (1 Jn 2:10)
5. Darkness hath blinded. (1 Jn 2:11)

B. Stages of walk within the Fellowship. vs 12 - 14

1. Various spiritual ages (Heb 5:12-14)
 - a. Sins are forgiven, little children. (1 Jn 2:12)
 - b. Fathers. (1 Jn 2:13-14) Maturity. (I Cor 4:15)

C. Young Men. (1 Jn 2:13-14)

1. They have overcome: (Heb 4:12)
2. Strong Christians (Ps 19:5; Eph 6:10)(1Jn4:4,5:4-5)

D. Little Children. vs 13

1. Babes in Christ. (I Pet 2:2, I Cor 3:1)

E. The Word of God. (1 Jn 2:14)

III. Abiding is not to love the world: (1 Jo 2:15-17)

A. Exclusion of worldliness. vs 15 - 17

1. The world is NOT to be loved. vs 15
 - a. Cannot serve God and mammon. (Matt 6:24)
 - b. We are to set things above. (Col 3:2)
2. The world is NOT of the Father. (1 Jn 2:16) (Gal 5:17)
3. The world passes away. (1 Jn 2:17)