

“IT’S YOUR CHOICE!”

*I John 3:14 – “WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE PASSED FROM DEATH UNTO LIFE,
BECAUSE WE LOVE THE BRETHREN.
HE THAT LOVETH NOT HIS BROTHER ABIDETH IN DEATH.”*



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Have you ever come to a crossroad in life and the answer you chose would shape the path for your future – positively or negatively? You do know that all of our decisions in life come down to a ruling that either the Flesh will win or the Spirit will prevail! Right? It’s a war between the spirituality and the carnality of a human being!

In this text, John once again advocates that a person can measure if they know Jesus – and have truly moved out of the realm of darkness and death, into the realm of light and life – by whether or not they love other Christians.

To love is to live! And to live is to love! Love is the only way to live. And in order to live and not die spiritually, you must:

1) KNOW GOD - (I John 4:8) – He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

*When you are adopted into the royal family of love, you are given something that allows the world to know that you are now a part of the royal family. That something which you are given is God’s great love and the light of His love that dwells inside of you. The only way the world will know that you are one of His disciples, a joint heir with Christ, and a daughter or son of the most-high God, you must display His love! Everything you do, say or think should be built on the foundation of love! And because of God’s love that you have down on the inside, you are then able to live in the light and not die spiritually while walking in darkness. **IT’S YOUR CHOICE!***

2) LOVE THE BRETHREN

I hear you asking, “Who is the brethren?” Well, (John 10:16) says – “And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.”

Is it the annoying person on your job who tap dances on your last good nerve? Is it your busy-body neighbor who throws rocks at other people’s glass house while their house has cracks and leaks? Or is it the messy church member who always has his/her nose in other folks business? Well, my sisters and brothers, these are the brethren you are required to love at all cost and at all times! Though you may not like them or their ways, you must love them in order for you to have life and not die spiritually.

*I realize that so many people you encounter on a daily basis are unloving and unlovable. But you are commissioned by our Heavenly Father to love those who hate you anyhow. To pray for those who spitefully use you and say all manner of evil against you falsely for his name’s sake anyhow. And to repay kindness for evil anyhow. In so doing, you will reap coals upon their head. **IT’S YOUR CHOICE!***

Each day you wake up, God has extended new mercies that are ever renewed. He has given you grace that is sufficient. And His favor over your life is unmerited. So extend that same kindness to your brethren. How can you expect God to forgive you and you are not willing to forgive others? Love the brethren because it is the thing to do!

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