

## Questions

1. How did John identify himself in the gospel of John (cf. John 13:23, 19:26, 20:2, 21:7, 21:20)? Do you know that if you are trusting in Jesus Christ, you can identify yourself the same way? What does that mean to you?
2. In what ways are you meditating on Scripture and praying for help to grow in your knowledge of God's love for you?
3. Why did Cain kill Abel (3:12)? How does that insight help you understand the world's attitude toward followers of Jesus? In what ways have you found that living out Christ-likeness has caused unbelievers to reject you?
4. Based on 1 John 3:16, how would you describe Christian love? What are some practical examples of loving deeds that you've received from other believers?
5. According to 1 John 3:17 what two things help us identify Christian love?
6. What are some practical steps you can take if your conscience is afflicted with a sense of guilt or self-doubt, but you cannot identify sinful thoughts or actions that you have done?
7. What is John's simple description of abiding in Christ in 3:23? How does this address the connection between faith and works? Are you trusting in Jesus Christ and seeking to obey His commands?

*After each service, if you need prayer,  
someone will be available up front to pray with or for you.*

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*A Sermon Series on 1 John*

# ASSURANCE

## By This We Know

**1 John 3:11-24**

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Living out Christ-like love is a mark that sets Christians apart from the world. But what does that love look like? And what hope is there for followers of Jesus who feel overwhelmed by the responsibility to love? John addresses those questions in this important passage on brotherly love.

John was captivated by Jesus' love. For John, there was no greater privilege than to be loved by Jesus. And John also understood that followers of Jesus are called to imitate that love.

**Hate Illustrated (3:11-15)**



**Assurance Given (3:19-24)**

**Love Illustrated (3:16-18)**