

A Journey Through 1 John (Part 14)

1 John 4:7-21

Introduction:

- Matthew 22:27-39
- John 13:35
- 1 Corinthians 13:1-3
- Love is one of the hallmark virtues of the Christian life

I. Love and the Character of God (v7-8)

- The balance of love and discernment
- Love is the expression of God's character
- Love is the genuine mark of a true believer

II. Love and the Coming of God's Son (v9-11)

- Jesus died so that we might have life
- Jesus died to be our propitiation

III. Love and the Character of a Christian (v12-16)

- The Holy Spirit's role in connection to love

IV. Love and the Confidence of a Christian (v17-19)

- Relationship based on law vs. God's love
- God wants us to live in an atmosphere of love

V. Love and the Consistency of one's Claims (v20-21)

- Loving God and people go hand in hand

Conclusion

- How is this morning's message going to impact your life?