

9. Besides knowledge, what is the second qualifier given by Paul in Philippians 1:9?

10. “Discernment” emphasizes insight in order to do what?

11. Finish the two questions God wants us to ask:

- a. “What does the Bible \_\_\_\_\_?”
- b. “How does God want this to \_\_\_\_\_ my life?”

12. Discernment doesn’t just come by obtaining knowledge, but by also doing what?

13. What is one of the sure marks of maturity?

14. What is the foundation of spiritual development?

15. Not only did the Apostle John preach love, he preached...”

16. Fill in the blanks: “In John’s first letter he emphasized the importance of \_\_\_\_\_ that is coupled with \_\_\_\_\_...Biblical love is not naive or \_\_\_\_\_. Biblical love is \_\_\_\_\_. Biblical love is coupled with \_\_\_\_\_.”

17. John begins with a greeting to the “elect lady” which refers to whom:

- a. A literal \_\_\_\_\_ and her \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. To a \_\_\_\_\_ and its \_\_\_\_\_.

18. What was on John’s heart and mind at the opening of this letter?

19. What kind of action would have been unthinkable to the Apostle John?

20. The quote by Peter Kreeft is an attack on what?

21. What is the one truth where there is absolutely no room to compromise?

22. God’s grace, mercy, and peace are granted to those who what?

23. Why do so many people not want the truth?

24. In verse 4, John was rejoicing because this lady’s’ children were doing what?

25. Do you order your life by the truth of God’s Word?

26. What drives your life?

27. What sets your priorities?

28. What is the commandment in verse 5 (also in John 13:34-35; 15:12,17; I John 3:11; 4:7; 4:11)?

29. John defines love as what?

30. In vss. 7-8, John was concerned that, out of a desire to be loving, Christians would do what?

31. Fill in the blanks: “If a person’s doctrine about the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ is heretical then it is safe to say that this person doesn’t have \_\_\_\_\_. It doesn’t matter how convincing he sounds or how well he can talk about \_\_\_\_\_.”

32. In vss. 10-11, what is John saying about how to not relate to a false teacher?

33. What is it about John’s letter that shows us the importance of discernment and truth and love?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »»How can I accomplish this change?
- »»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

1. Read Romans 1:16-32 three times this week.
2. Based upon Romans 1, what are some reasons why God’s wrath is carried out towards man’s foolishness?
3. What is God’s definition of a fool?
4. What are some forms and illustrations of man’s foolishness?

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## BIBLICAL LOVE IS DISCERNING

### 2 John

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon on “**Biblical Love Is Discerning.**” All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What is a dirty word in many Christian circles?
  2. What is a person often called when they are discerning?
  3. Biblical love is what?
  4. What does Paul’s prayer in Philippians 1:9 tell us about love and knowledge?
  5. The word “knowledge”, used 20 times in the N.T., always refers to knowledge of what?
  6. According to I Timothy 2:4, to become a Christian you must come to know the what?
  7. According to Colossians 1:10, to grow as a Christian you must continue to learn what?
  8. Spiritual knowledge feeds what?
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