

## **1 John 3:11-24**

### **Passage Reflection**

This page is meant for individuals, small group Bible studies, or one-on-one interactions. Since learning more about the text's meaning in our corporate gathering, I would encourage you to meditate on the passage again so that you might respond to God in praise and obedience. While I have not answered all of the questions below for you, I've included some of my personal meditations that may be of some benefit. May reflection on this passage be used by God to conform you into the image of Christ.

-Pastor Andrew

#### **What do I learn about God?**

Verse 20 tells us that God is greater than our hearts. When our hearts accuse us, they are not in charge of the final verdict. God is! God is the final judge and has been trying to show us that we are His children if we believe in His Son.

#### **Is there anything for which I should repent based on this text?**

Am I merely saying that I love my brothers and sisters? Am I trying to love them in word, but not in deed? Am I failing to sacrificially love?

#### **How might God use this passage to make me look more like Christ?**

Sacrificial love. I can give up time, resources, abilities, status for the good of others.

#### **How does this passage affect evangelism?**

For a person who recognizes their failure to love others, salvation is available when you repent of that sin and trust in Jesus' obedience in your place and His payment of the penalty for your sins.

#### **How can I edify the church based on what this passage says?**

God, give me more love for my brothers and sisters. May it start in my heart and then be demonstrated by my actions and words.

#### **Prayer**