

Series: Fellowship Devine (6/12/24)

Title: Incompatibility of Sin & Son-ship

Text: (1 Jn 3:4-10)

- I. Person of Our Fellowship. 1:1 - 4
 - A. Content of the Message. vs 1, 2
 - B. Purpose of the Message. vs 3, 4
- II. Conditions of Our Fellowship. 1:5 - 2:29
 - A. Agreement with Christ. 1:5 - 2:2
 - B. Abiding in Christ. 2:3 - 17
 - C. Antichrist and Christians. 2:18 - 29
- III. **Love of Our Fellowship. 3:1 - 4:21**
 - A. **Beloved Sons of God. 3:1 - 18**
 - 1. God's Children. vs 1 - 3
 - 2. Incompatibility of sin and Son-ship. (vs 4-18)
 - a. The sinner is against God. (vs 4)
 - 1.) Sin is lawlessness.
 - a.) Law of Christ. (Rom 8:2)
 - b.) Natural Law. (Rom 2:14)
 - c.) Mosaic Law.
 - 2.) To commit is to.
 - a.) Practice.
 - b.) Continue in, to live in.
 - c.) Become a habit.
 - 3.) Sin: an act will against God.
 - 4.) Living in sin, is living as if there is no God.
 - b. Christ died to save from sin. (vs 5-7)(Matt 1:21)
 - 1.) Made flesh to die as the Lamb of God. (vs 5)
 - 2.) Abiding in Christ means deliverance from the habit of sin. (vs 6) (John 15:10)
 - 3.) Living in open sin is not consistent with the Christian life. (vs 6) (Rom 6:12)
 - 4.) Christ is righteous. (vs 7)

- a.) Righteous character precedes righteous conduct.
- b.) Holy heart w/o Holy action is a deception
- c.) righteousness is attested by Holy action
- c. Sin is of the devil. (vs 8) (John 8:44)
 - 1.) Sin started by listening to satan.
 - 2.) Satan was present when man first sinned.
- d. Christ destroyed sin. (vs 8)
 - 1.) Deeds of sin cease.
 - 2.) Pollution of the heart is purged.
- e. Commit no sin. (vs 9)
 - 1.) A continual practice of sin as in (Vs 4)
 - 2.) The Christian will sin.
 - a.) Confession is allowed. (Ch 1:9)
 - b.) Advocate available. (Vs 2:1)
 - c.) They are carnal. (I Cor 3:1)
 - d.) This love becomes our first duty.
 - (1) Love responds to that need.
 - (2) Not a sentimental type of love.
 - (3) A word that describes God Himself.
 - e.) Love: the essence of obedience (Vs 10-11)
 - 3.) Example of Cain. (vs 12)
 - a.) Love was replaced by hate in his heart.
 - (1) Hatred is natural and universal.
 - (2) Cain's works were evil.
 - (3) Abel's works were righteous,
 - (4) His hatred led to murder.
 - b.) He was an individual filled with envy.
 - c.) He was an imitator of the devil.
 - 4.) Hatred by the world. (vs 13)
 - a.) No reason to be alarmed.
 - b.) Loved not Christ
 - c.) Wicked men rebel when faced love.

- 5.) Measurement of our love. **(vs 14)**
 - a.) Salvation has come. Death unto life.
 - b.) A true mark of a Christian's love.
 - c.) Life and love go together.
 - d.) Hate and death are inseparable.
- 6.) Measurement of hate. **(vs 15)**
 - a.) Hatred is murder.
 - b.) Individual completely given to wickedness
- 7.) Evidence of Love. **(Vs 16-18)**
 - a.) God's Love. **(vs 16)** (Jn 3:16)
 - (1) No greater love.
 - (2) His Son's life for ours.
 - (3) The death of Christ proves God's love.
 - b.) Our Love. **(vs 16)** (Matt 5:38-48)
 - (1) Willing to lay down life for brethren.
 - (2) This is an unselfish love.
 - (3) This is a real test of our love.
 - c.) Compassion for those in need **(vs 17)**
 - d.) In our daily lives. **(vs 18)**
 - (1) Not in word only. Jude **(vs 16)**
 - (2) But in works. (James 2:17)
 - (3) Action is necessary. (James 1:22)