

Purposed To Love

Text: 1 John 3:11-18

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Series — “Reaching Forward With Purpose”

Introduction

1) The _____ Has Been Provided

A. Set your heart on _____

- [1 Peter 4:8](#) (KJV) — 8 And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

B. Jesus has _____ you to love like Him

- [1 John 2:9–11](#) “9 He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now. 10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. 11 But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.”
- [1 John 4:7](#) “7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.”

2) The _____ Has Been Given

A. Engage in a _____ love

- [Leviticus 19:18](#) “18 Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the Lord.”
- [John 15:13](#) “13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.”

B. Reject an _____ driven love

- [Hebrews 11:4](#) (KJV) — 4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.
- [2 Corinthians 4:6](#) (KJV)— 6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

3) The _____ Will Be Provided

A. Your spiritual siblings will always be in _____

- Quote: “To live above, with saints we love, that will be glory.
To live below, with the saints we know, that’s quite a different story!”
- [James 2:15–16](#) (KJV) — 15 If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, 16 And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?

B. Your spiritual siblings need _____

- [James 1:22–25](#) (KJV) — 22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. 23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: 24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. 25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.