

# BE REAL

## #6 THE LOVE TESTS

1 JOHN 3:11-24

*"This is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another." 1 John 3:11 (NIV)*

Agape is the \_\_\_\_\_ kind of love.

### SEVEN TESTS OF REAL LOVE

Test #1 \_\_\_\_\_ ? (vs. 11-15)

*"We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love our brothers. Anyone who does not love remains in death." 1 John 3:14 (NIV)*

*"Passed from" used for: \_\_\_\_\_*

Not: "Do I have life \_\_\_\_\_ death?"

But: "Do I have life \_\_\_\_\_ death?"

**An Illustration:** Cain and Abel (1 John 3:12; Genesis 4)

Test #2 \_\_\_\_\_ ? (vs. 16)

*"This is how we've come to understand and experience love: Christ sacrificed his life for us. This is why we ought to live sacrificially for our fellow believers, and not just be out for ourselves."*

1 John 3:16 (MSG)

Test #3 \_\_\_\_\_ ? (vs. 17)

*"If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?"*

1 John 3:17 (NIV)

*"...shows no compassion..." (NLT)*

*"...turns a cold shoulder..." (MSG)*

*"...shutteth up his bowels of compassion..." (KJV)*

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Test #4 \_\_\_\_\_ ? (vs. 18)

*"Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth." 1 John 3:18 (NIV) see James 2:14-17*

Test #5 \_\_\_\_\_ ? (vs. 19-21)

*"Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God." 1 John 3:21 (NIV)*

*Kataginōskō - \_\_\_\_\_*

Condemnation	Conviction
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Test #6 \_\_\_\_\_ ? (vs. 22-23)

*"And this is his commandment: We must believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as he commanded us." 1 John 3:23 (NLT)*

a. \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus (aorist tense)

b. \_\_\_\_\_ others (present tense)

Test #7 \_\_\_\_\_ ? (vs. 24)

*"Those who obey his commands live in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us." 1 John 3:24 (NIV)*

This kind of love is what we call  
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