

# SHOULD I LOVE MY BROTHER OR SISTER IN CHRIST?

*Common Objections Answered in 1 John*

## 1 ● WHY SHOULD I LOVE THIS PERSON?

Dear friends, if God loved us in this way, we also must love one another.

1 JN 4:11

## 2 ● WHAT IF THEY DON'T LOVE ME?

We love because he first loved us.

1 JN 4:19

## 4 ● DOES IT REALLY MATTER IF I LOVE THIS PERSON?

The one who loves his brother or sister remains in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him.

1 JN 2:10

## 3 ● WHAT IF I DON'T LIKE THEM?

If anyone says, "I love God," and yet hates his brother or sister, he is a liar. For the person who does not love his brother or sister whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen.

1 JN 4:20

## 5 ● WHAT IF I AM AFRAID?

There is no fear in love; instead, perfect love drives out fear...

1 JN 4:18

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● DOES GOD REALLY CARE IF I LOVE THIS PERSON?

And we have this command from him: The one who loves God must also love his brother and sister.

1 JN 4:21

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● HOW MUCH MUST I LOVE?

This is how we have come to know love: He laid down his life for us. We should also lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.

1 JN 3:16

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● WHAT DOES LOVE LOOK LIKE?

Little children, let us not love in word or speech, but in action and in truth.

1 JN 3:18

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● HOW WILL I KNOW WHEN I TRULY LOVE THIS PERSON?

This is how we know that we love God's children: when we love God and obey his commands.

1 JN 5:2

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● WHAT IS AT STAKE IF I DON'T LOVE THIS PERSON?

This is how God's children and the devil's children become obvious. Whoever does not do what is right is not of God, especially the one who does not love his brother or sister.

1 JN 3:10

We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers and sisters. The one who does not love remains in death.

1 JN 3:14

If anyone has this world's goods and sees a fellow believer in need but withholds compassion from him—how does God's love reside in him?

1 JN 3:17