

Listen carefully to the Bible reading starting from 1 John chapter 3 verses 11 to 24.

Last week we learned about **loving God**.

Can you remember the commandment

from Deuteronomy 6v5?

"You shall love the LORD your God with all your

h_____ and with all your s_____ and with all
your m_____."

This week we are going to learn something else about love.

Read 1 John 3v11. What does it say about who else we should love? Complete the sentence below.

"...we should _____."

But first, let's remember how we know what love is.

We know because **Jesus has shown us!**

Read 1 John 3v16.

How did he show us?

So just as Jesus loves us, we should love each other!

In fact, John even says this is one way that helps us to **know for sure** that we are God's children.

Read verse 14. John says when we come into God's family we cross from one place to another place. Draw an arrow to show what he means:

Death

Life

He says we _____ we have become one of God's children

because we _____ the brothers.

Look at verse 14 again if you need a clue

Now why does he talk about 'brothers'?

Put a ✓ or a ✗ in the ☐ for each of these sentences to show if they are right or wrong.

Because we don't have to love our sisters ☐

Because brothers get upset more quickly ☐

Because he's talking about all our brothers and sisters who are in God's family ☐

Did you get it correct?

John is talking about our

brothers and sisters in **God's family**.

These are the people who are part of **God's church**.

So let's think about how should we love one another.

Can you think of some ways you can show love to other people in our church family? Write some ideas here:

If you can't think of any, finish the other questions first then you might have some more ideas!

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

John also gives us some ways we can show love to others.

Verse 17 talks about how we can use the things we have to help others.

If someone in our church family needs something that we have got, what should we do?

_____ (earhs)

Do you find it easy or hard to give your things to people who need them? _____

How would you feel if someone gave you something that you really needed? _____

Verse 16 says: "...we should lay down our lives for the brothers."

Use the words in the box to complete the sentences about what this means.

help	others	died	gave	lives
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He means we should use our _____ to _____

others, just like Jesus _____ his life to help us.

Jesus even _____ for us! We're not Jesus, so we may

not need to die for _____, but we can use our lives

to help each other.

Pray

Praise God for showing us his love so wonderfully when Jesus died for us

Ask God to help you use the things he has given you show love to others in our church family

"By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers."

1 John 3v16