

Calling believers to:

Love God

Love His Word

Love Dryden

Welcome to Worship

Mar 23, 2025

Prayer Notes:

IN the FOYER:

- assistive hearing devices are available (ask an usher)
- Our Daily Bread

On the Calendar:

- Mar 25 (Tues) International Day of the Unborn Child
- Mar 26 (Wed) @ 7:30am Men's Morning Bible Study
- Mar 26 (Wed) @ 7:00pm Prayer and Bible Study
- Mar 29 (Sat) @ 8:30am Men's Prayer Time
- Mar 29 (Sat) @ 10:30 Bible Story Time at DPL
- Mar 29 (Sat) @ 1:00pm Studying the Bible (Young Adults)
- Apr 04 (Fri) @ 7:00pm Fired Up Friday
- Apr 05 (Sat) @ 10:30am Sonshine Saturday
- Apr 10 (Thurs) @ 6:30 Watoto Children's Choir at DFGC - offering

Mar 23
John 3:11-13

“The Love of God
and
the Hatred of Cain”

“Love One Another”

1 John 3:14 ESV

*We know that
we have passed
out of death
into life...*

1 John 3:14-17
March 30th

John

God plants in the dirt...
and makes something
beautiful.

DRYDEN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP
FRIDAY APRIL 4
AT 7:00PM

FIRED UP FRIDAYS

- Snack
- Singing
- Story
- Crafts

BIBLE STORY TIME
At the Dryden Public Library
Saturday, Mar 29 @ 10:30-
11:30am

Brought to you
by local Christian
churches

Good Friday • Apr 18 • 10:30am • at DFBC

WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT FRIDAY?
SUNDAY IS COMING!

Devotional and Prayer Time

Group

- April 3 (Thurs) at 10:00-11:30am
- Talk to Alexzandria if you have questions
- Bring a snack for your child
- Childcare available
- Coffee/Tea available for the moms

PRAY FOR THESE WORKS OF THE CHURCH.

Dryden First Baptist Church

Worship Times and Some of Our Activities:

Sunday Services are held at 10:30am

Junior Church (4-9) and Toddler Program (2-3) occurs during the worship hour.

Nursery facilities are available for parents to use.

Sonshine Saturday is 10:30am-12:00 on scheduled months.

Fired Up Fridays is held bi-weekly during the school year.

Wednesday Prayer and Bible Study at 7:00pm

(watch for announcements or check Facebook)

Social Media:

Facebook - Dryden First Baptist Church

Facebook - Sonshine Saturday

YouTube - Christian Canuck

Website - firstbaptistchurchdryden.com



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The Love of God and the Hatred of Cain: 1 John 3:11-13

1 John 3:11-13 English Standard Version

¹¹ For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. ¹² We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. ¹³ Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you.

Introduction

Review and Background

- John has been dealing with the topic of Christians belonging to the family of God
- he also reminds them of the wonderful hope of eternal life that Jesus Christ offers
- in 1 John 3:4-10, John writes 2 three-point sermons that focus upon human sinfulness, the work of Christ on the cross and holy/righteous living
- following these sermons, in 1 John 3:11-13, John revisits the topic of love for one another

1 John 2:7-11 Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word that you have heard. ⁸ At the same time, it is a new commandment that I am writing to you, which is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining. ⁹ Whoever says he is in the light and hates his brother is still in darkness. ¹⁰ Whoever loves his brother abides in the light, and in him there is no cause for stumbling. ¹¹ But whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

- today, we see how John, addresses the topic of love; he uses the negative example of Cain, who acted out in murder!

1) (3:11) Heard the Message – LOVE one another

(3:11) For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.

a) They will know we are Christians by our love

1 John 3:10. ¹⁰ By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother.

b) nothing new and nothing changes

- the gospel message preached by John to these Christians was the message that they heard from the beginning

1 John 1:1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life--

- the message to love one another was a message that they heard from the beginning

1 John 2:7 Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word that you have heard.

c) love one another

- John writes again to these Christians that they must "love one another"

1 John 3:23 And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

1 John 4:11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

- the command to love one another was something that Jesus clearly taught his disciples to live out

John 13:34-35 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵ By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

2) (3:12) Hatred Filled Cain's Heart

(3:12) We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous.

a) infamous Cain

- Cain's actions reveal hatred and thus are anti-love

b) Cain was a sinner who did not receive grace

- the life of Cain is found in Genesis 4

- we do know from Genesis 4:6-7 that Cain indeed was a sinner

Genesis 4:6-7 The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? ⁷ If

you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it."

Genesis 4:8 Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him.

Genesis 4:9-10 Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" ¹⁰ And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground.

- Cain is trying to pass the buck by saying "am I my brother's keeper" this is similar to what Adam and Eve did when they were confronted by God when they eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil

c) the contrast between Cain and Abel

- in 1 John 3:12, Cain is described by John exactly how Cain is described in Genesis 4

- Cain is described as "of the evil one"; Cain belongs to the devil because he practices sin

John 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

3) (3:13) Hated by the World

(3:13) Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you.

a) brothers in the family

b) the world will hate you

- the word "surprised" is the Greek word "marvel" -- these Christians are not to be shocked or stunned if the world hates them

- in the gospel of John, Jesus warns His disciples about the hatred of the world

John 15:18-19 "If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

- even family might turn on you but I am always encouraged by Psalm 27

Psalm 27:10 For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the LORD will take me in.

Application

1) Cherish the Love of Jesus

a) a negative example - Cain

- in 1 John 3:12, we are given the example of what it means to be anti-love

b) a great example - Jesus

- in 1 John, we are reminded numerous times about the love of Jesus Christ

1 John 3:16 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 4:9-10 ⁹ In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

- if you are outside of the love of Jesus Christ, today is the day to consider the amazing love of God given to sinful humans

- we have sinned against God, but God shows His amazing love to us by the death of Jesus Christ

Romans 5:8 but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

2) Battle Bitterness with the Love of Christ

a) what is our problem people! ___ ___ ___

- but the teaching of Jesus on murder and anger is very clear in the sermon on the mount

Matthew 5:21-26 "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' ²² But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³ So if you are offering your gift at the

altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵ Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. ²⁶ Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

b) the beauty of Jesus can help us!

3) Love One Another

a) it is a command

b) 5 ways to love one another

1) _____ for one another

1 Corinthians 12:25 that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another.

2) _____ one another and agreeing with one another

2 Corinthians 13:11 Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.

3) _____ with one another in love

Ephesians 4:2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,

4) being _____ to one another

Ephesians 4:32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

5) _____ one another

Col 3:13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

c) Conclusion

