



IF YOU AREN'T LOVING,
YOU AREN'T LIVING

PART 3

1 JOHN 4:7-11

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First resolution: I will accept others.

Second resolution: I will serve others.

Third resolution: I will _____ with others.

- God loved us. How do we know this? God generously gave us His Son.
- *“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.”* **Romans 5:8**
- *“...Who (Christ) loved me, and gave himself for me.”*
Galatians 2:20
- *“And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us, and has given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God...”*
Ephesians 5:2
- *“Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it.”* **Ephesians 5:25**
- We **know** Christ loves us. How do we know this? Christ extravagantly and generously gave to us.
- One of the primary ways that we _____ love is when others are open-handed and generous towards us. 1 John 3:16

- Generosity is at its core a lifestyle in which we _____ all that we have as a demonstration of God's love and a response to God's grace.
- Generosity expresses in practical and powerful ways the message at the core of our faith: God gave His only Son to us so that we could have life.
- *“Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate (share).” 1 Timothy 6:17-18*
- Developing a spirit of generosity begins with an understanding of who _____ what.
- God wants to be at the _____ of your trust, your love, and your affection.
- If I believe my blessings all come from God, and I am trusting God completely with all things, a generous heart is the natural result (vs. 18). I want to share God's _____.

God loves a cheerful giver, but a person who is cheerfully generous is universally loved by _____.

This is why their life has such incredible impact!