BECAUSE WE LOVE OUR BROTHERS



I JOHN 3

I. Knowing and loving God moves us toward purity (I John 3:1-6).



 "How great is the love the Father has lavished on us?"

 How does a better understanding of God move us toward purity?

Why is 'continuing in sin' so serious?

II. God's nature remains in His children to motivate our behavior (v.7-10).



What does our behavior say about our nature?

 How can increased love for our heavenly Father motivate our actions? III. We can know that we have passed from death into life (v.11-15).



 What will protect our hearts from acting like Cain?

How can the practice of brotherly love increase our assurance?

IV. We have opportunity to participate in God's love for mankind (v.16-20).



 How does 'the first John 3:16' expand the definition of John 3:16?

 What assurance is available when our own hearts condemn us? V. God's assurance comes to those who believe and love (v.21-24).



What assurance is available when we pray?

 What assurance of relationship with God is available through the Spirit?

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 How can we help?