



*Today's Topic: A New Model*

*1 John 2:3-11*

*Sunday, July 31, 2022*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Love

*"But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made \_\_\_\_\_ in them. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did."*

*1 John 2:5-6 (NIV, 2011)*

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Love

*"Yet I am writing you a new command; its truth is seen in him and in you, because the darkness is passing and the \_\_\_\_\_ is already shining."*

*1 John 2:8 (NIV, 2011)*

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Love

*"Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates a brother or sister is still in the darkness. Anyone who loves their brother and sister lives in the light, and there is \_\_\_\_\_ in them to make them stumble"*

*1 John 2:9-10 (NIV, 2011)*

**The Point:**

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*Next Steps:*

*Reflect on the commands of Christ this week to take our love to another level!*

***Discussion Questions:***

1. Who was your role model as you grew up? What characteristics in them did you want to emulate?
2. Read 1 John 2:3-4 and Matthew 5:21-26. How would following these commands of Christ demonstrate our love for Him?
3. Read 1 John 2:5-6. How is God's love "made complete" in us?
4. Read 1 John 2:7-8. What is new about John's "new command"?
5. Read 1 John 2:9-11. Why does hate cause us to stumble?
6. What truth from this study will you think about and try to apply throughout the coming week?