

1 JOHN

Lesson 6

1 John Chapter 4:1-21

We continue our study of 1 John by exploring the fourth chapter.

We will be examining the nature and characteristics of both God and Christ.

Please read 1 John Chapter 4, and then consider the following:

1. Who is John referring to in 1 John 4:4 when he refers to "the one who is in you?"

2. In 1 John 4:8, John tells us that God is love. Since we know from earlier lessons that we are adopted as sons into His family, let us take a closer look at God's nature by making a list of the characteristics that make up God. For each of the passages below, identify what "God is ____."
- a. Deuteronomy 6:4
- b. John 4:24
- c. John 17:1-3
- d. 2 Corinthians 13:14
- e. 1 Kings 8:27
- f. Isaiah 57:15
- g. Jeremiah 32:17,27
- h. Psalm 139:7-12
- i. 1 John 3:20
- j. Isaiah 48:3-5

3. In 1 John 4:17 John tells us that, as Christians, if we have love in our heart, we will have courage; because our life in this world is the same as Christ's was. Accordingly, let's make a list of Christ's characteristics from the following verses:
- a. John 1:1
 - b. John 1:2-3
 - c. John 1:4
 - d. John 1:15
 - e. Matthew 28:18
 - f. Matthew 18:20
 - g. Colossians 2:3
4. Read John 15:1-12.
- a. Who is the vine?
 - b. Who are the branches?
 - c. Who is the gardener?
 - d. What are we commanded to do?

Bonus Questions:

5. In 1 John 4:17, John refers to Christians as having boldness in the day of judgment.
- a. What will we be judged on? (See 1 Cor. 3:11-15)
 - b. Is it possible that at that judgment seat we could lose our salvation? (See Romans 11:29)
 - c. What is the difference between our judgment and that of the lost which will occur at the end of Christ's millennial reign? (See Rev. 20:11-15)

Have a great week everyone.

In Christ,

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