



Sermon Outline
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**Adding Intentionality
to Your Intentions**

1 John 3:11-24

*** Love the _____ vs. love the _____.**

** You can act your way into feeling long before you can feel your way into action. If you wait until you feel like doing something, you will likely never accomplish it.*

- John C. Maxwell

1. Love isn't a _____ concept.

*** Love's been the _____ of
God's message from Genesis to Jesus to now.**

*** You can't claim to walk in light while carrying a
_____ in the dark.**

*** We can expect the world to _____
or even oppose genuine love.**

1 John 3:13 - Do not be surprised, my brothers and sisters, if the world hates you.

*** Love isn't optional. It's _____.**

**2. While love for others is not the _____
for salvation, it is the _____ of it.**

1 John 3:14 - We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love each other.

*** Love is the _____ of
authentic faith and the proof that God's life is in us.**

John 13:35 - By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

*** Hatred toward others reveals spiritual _____.**

1 John 3:14b-15 - Anyone who does not love remains in death. Anyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life residing in him.

**3. The world defines love as _____.
God defines love as _____.**

1 John 3:16 - This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.

*** It's been said - "It's the thought that counts." But in God's perspective the thought only counts if it leads to some kind of _____.**

1 John 3:18 - Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

*** Actions speak louder than words OR _____.**

1 John 3:17 - If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?

*** Our love for others is the _____
that we've experienced the love of God.**

1 John 3:24a - The one who keeps God's commands lives in Him, and He in them.

Jesus illustrates it the best.

Luke 10:33-34 - But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him.

Application: *Whenever you encounter a need and you can help, let love move you to act in whatever way you can.*

*** People don't care how much you _____
until they _____ how much you care.**