

A wooden branch runs diagonally across the frame. A red rope is tied in a knot around the branch. The background is a soft-focus scene of autumn leaves in warm tones of orange, yellow, and brown. The text 'LOVE' is written in a large, white, hand-painted style font, and 'one another' is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it.

# LOVE

## one another

A SERMON SERIES  
FROM 1 JOHN

# OUTLINE OF FIRST JOHN

## BASIS OF LOVE

## BEHAVIOUR OF LOVE

Conditions  
of Love

Cautions  
of Love

Characteristics  
of Love

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of Love

Chapter1

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ABIDING IN  
GOD'S LIGHT

ABIDING IN  
GOD'S LOVE

ABIDING IN  
GOD'S LIFE

*Written in Ephesus c.90AD by Apostle John.  
Written to refute Gnostic error in Churches John oversaw.*



**The conditions of love (*'Abiding in the Light'*) are:**

- Knowing the Truth (1 John 1:1-4)**
- Living in Purity (1 John 1:5-2:2)**

**CAUTION 1 : These should lead to OBEDIENCE to His commands & counsel (1 John 2:3-14)**

**CAUTION 2: There is FALSE LOVE!**



# False Love

PART 4: The main caution is that there is a false love that is creeping into the Church.  
(1 John 2:15-29)





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## ***“Difficult Times Will Come”***

**3** But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come.

2 For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy,

3 unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good,

4 treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,

5 holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power;  
Avoid such men as these.



# 1. The Love of the World

Appeals To The "Here & Now"

## Possessions



LUST of  
the Flesh



LUST of  
the Eyes

Pleasure



PRIDE of  
Life

Power

Luke 4:1-13

### 1 John 2:15-17 (NKJV)

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. [16] For all that is in the world--the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life--is not of the Father but is of the world.









**Christian  
Woman**



**Not  
Christian**

**Internal not  
external**

**Who is the  
worldliest?  
The one on  
the left may  
be the one!**



**Worldly love is  
motivated by temporal  
lust and pride.**

# **THE WORLD IS NOT ENOUGH**

**1st John 2:15-17**

**Christians are to be  
motivated by God's  
eternal love.**

***“And the  
world is  
passing away,  
and the lust of  
it; but he who  
does the will  
of God abides  
forever.” v17***



## 2. The Spirit of Antichrist.

*<sup>18</sup> Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. <sup>19</sup> They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.*

*<sup>22</sup> Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son. <sup>23</sup> Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also. 1 John 2:18-19, 22-23 (NKJV)*



## 1 John 4:3 (NLT)

- <sup>3</sup> But if someone claims to be a prophet and does not acknowledge the truth about Jesus, that person is not from God. Such a person has the spirit of the Antichrist, which you heard is coming into the world and indeed is already here.







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# THE SPIRIT OF ANTICHRIST

"We are living in a time when the battle between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan is heating up as never before. I believe this is because we are nearing the return of Christ—and the ultimate destruction of Satan's kingdom."

"The working of the spirit of antichrist is going to intensify the closer we get to the end of the age. Let me explain the real meaning of the term antichrist. The word Christ is from a Greek word *christos*, which exactly corresponds to the Hebrew word *Mashiach* from which we get Messiah. So when we say "antichrist," that means anti-Messiah. "Anti" is a Greek preposition. It has two meanings and both of them apply. First of all, it means "against." So the first operation is against Messiah. The second meaning is "in place of." The ultimate purpose is to put a false Messiah in place of the true Messiah. So the total operation is in two phases. When you begin to recognize that, you will see that the spirit of antichrist is extremely active almost throughout the whole professing church."



# Characteristics of The Antichrist



*Hitler was a  
TYPE of the  
Antichrist*

From Daniel 7,9,11;  
Revelation 13; 2  
Thessalonians 2,  
Matthew 24; 1 John 2  
and 2 John 7

ARROGANT yet successful leader

NATIONAL leader from ancient roots

TURNS from his religious roots

INITIATES deceptive covenant

CHANGES laws and seasons

HATES God and His people

RAISES, as it were, from the dead

IMMORAL and sexually perverted

SETS himself up as god

TAKEN over by Satan



# 3. Broken by the Anointing.

<sup>20</sup> But **you have an anointing** from the Holy One, and you know all things. <sup>21</sup> I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and that no lie is of the truth.





***<sup>24</sup> Therefore let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father. <sup>25</sup> And this is the promise that He has promised us—eternal life.***

***<sup>26</sup> These things I have written to you concerning those who try to deceive you. <sup>27</sup> But the **anointing which you have received from Him** abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.***



# You are anointed! Don't be ashamed.

*<sup>28</sup> And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming. <sup>29</sup> If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone who practices righteousness is born of Him.*



The background of the entire slide is a warm, orange-toned image showing several hands cupped together, holding a heart. The lighting is soft and glowing, creating a spiritual or emotional atmosphere.

# **False Love is:**

**1. The Love of the World**

**2. The Spirit of Antichrist**

**3. Broken by the Anointing**

**We are to break false love in our midst  
by the anointing of the Holy Spirit.**



