Questions on 1 John chapter 3

1. Why does the world not know (recognize or acknowledge) children of God? Verse 1.

2. What shall we be like when Jesus appears? Verse 2.

3. How does the person who has the hope of seeing Jesus and being like him purify himself? Verse 3.

4. What is transgression? Verse 4.

5. What two additional reasons does John give for not committing sin? Verse 5.

6. Do you think that John intended to teach that the person who abides in Christ is incapable of sin or that he has ended his former practice and no longer engages in habitual or persistent sin? Verse 6.

7. Regardless of what a man may claim, what is the only test of a righteous person? Verse 7.

8. What are some of the works of the devil and their consequences that Jesus came to destroy? Verse 8.

9. Why is it that the person who is born (begotten, American Standard Version) of God cannot sin (cannot go on sinning)? Verse 9.

10. How do we distinguish children of God from children of the devil? Verse 10.

11. What is the message heard from the beginning? Verse 11.

12. Who was Cain, and where do we read about him? Verse 12.

13. Where did Jesus ever say anything that would cause us to not be surprised when the world hates us? Verse 13.

14. Is our love of the brethren a condition of salvation or evidence of salvation? Verse 14.

15. What is the difference between hate and murder? Verse 15.

16. Christians ought (are morally obligated) to lay down their lives for the brethren? Why? Verse 16.

17. What is the answer to the rhetorical question in verse 17?

18. Does the apostle mean to forbid expressions of love? Verse 18.

19. How can we come to know and assure our hearts that we are of the truth, even in the very presence of God? Verse 19.

20. How can we have assurance, even if our conscience condemns us (knows something against us)? Verse 20.

21. What gives us even greater confidence in the fellowship of God? Verse 21.

22. What two reasons are given for receiving answers to our prayers? Verse 22.

23. What two things summarize God’s commandment, according to John? Verse 23.

24. How do we know that God abides in us? Verse 24.