Questions on 1 John chapter 4

1. How are we to try the spirits? Verse 1.

2. What was the test by which the false teachers prevalent in John’s day might be identified? Verse 2.

3. What was it that manifested the spirit of antichrist? Verse 3.

4. How had John’s readers been able to overcome the false teachers? Verse 4.

5. Why was it the world listened to the false teachers? Verse 5.

6. Who is included in the “we” - the ones contrasted with the false teachers? Verse 6

7. What is the evidence of having been born (begotten) of God? Verse 7.

8. If someone claims to be a child of God, but does not continue to love, what can we say about that? Verse 8.

9. How do we know God loves mankind? Verse 9.

10. Why did God send his Son and what is the meaning of the term for what it accomplished? Verse 10.

11. Why should we love one another? Verse 11.

12. Although God in his divine nature is invisible, how may we enjoy his abiding presence? Verse 12.

13. What is another token of God’s abiding presence? Verse 13.

14. Although John had not seen God in his essence or divine nature, what had he seen that he could testify about? Verse 14.

15. Anyone who confessed Jesus as the Son of God confessed his deity, his humanity, and his reality. How did that indicate that God dwelt in him, and that he dwelt in God? Verse 15.

16. What can be said about someone who dwells (abides) in love? Verse 16.

17. How may we have boldness (confidence or assurance) in the day of judgment? Verse 17.

18. If we have fear or terror of judgment, what does that indicate? Verse 18.

19. Why is it that we do not obligate God to love us when we love him? Verse 19.

20. If a man does not love his brother, what will be his difficulty in loving God? Verse 20.

21. We are commanded to love our brothers, but can an emotion be commanded? Verse 21.