

## OUTLINE

- I. **TRUTH** 1:1-4
  - A. This Message Bears Witness to the Word of Life 1:1-2
  - B. This Message is Intended for Joyful Fellowship 1:3-4
  
- II. **FELLOWSHIP** 1:5-2:29
  - A. We Are Fellows in Forgiveness if We Walk in the Light of God 1:5-10
  - B. We Are Fellows in Forgiveness if We Love One Another 2:3-14
  - C. We Are Fellows in Forgiveness if We Hate Lies Against Christ 2:15-29
  
- III. **FAMILY** 3:1-5:3
  - A. The Love of God Declares Us Children of God 3:1-12
  - B. The Love of God Demands that We Pursue Charity 3:13-24
  - C. The Love of God Requires Us to Use Discernment 4:1-5:3
  
- IV. **VICTORY IN ETERNAL LIFE** 5:4-21
  - A. The Threefold Witness to Truth about Eternal Life 5:4-12
  - B. John's Witness to the Truth about Eternal Life 5:13-21