

IT'S REAL--10

“It’s REAL Because it has a SUPREME STANDARD”

1 John 4:8-21

Introduction. _____

I. FIRST, NOTICE THAT THE SUPREME STANDARD IS WHO GOD IS (1 John 4:7-8).

A. First, because God is love, John tells us who we should love (4:7).

B. Secondly, because God is love, John tells us why we should love (4:8).

II. SECONDLY, CONSIDER HOW THIS SUPREME STANDAND OF LOVE IS WHY GOD DIED (1 John 4:9-11).

A. First, notice the definition of why God died (4:9).

B. Secondly, consider the demonstration of why God died (4:10).

C. Thirdly, see the duplication of why God died (4:11).

III. THIRDLY, NOTE WHAT THE SUPREME STANDARD OF LOVE IS DOING (1 John 4:12-18).

A. First, notice how this love is declared in principle (4:12)

1. First, note His abiding love is present within us (4:12c). “... ***God dwelleth in us***...”

2. Secondly, notice his active love is present within us (4:12d). “... ***and is love is perfected in us***.”

B. Secondly, note how this love is demonstrated in a process (4:13).

C. Thirdly, consider how this love is detailed in a pronouncement (4:14-16)

1. First, it is detailed in the truth (4:14).

2. Secondly it is described in terms (4:15).

3. Thirdly, it is displayed in tone (4:16).

D. Fourthly, consider how this love is disclosed in a perception (4:17-21).

1. First, notice our perception in courage (4:17).

2. Secondly, consider our perception in comfort (4:18).

IV. FOURTHLY, LOOK AT WHAT THE SUPREME STANDAND OF LOVE _____ (1 John 4:19-21).

A. First, notice how this supreme standard demands an _____ (4:19).

B. Secondly, note how this supreme standard demands _____ (4:20-21).

1. First, there is action related to _____ (4:20).

2. Secondly, there is action as it replies to God’s _____ (4:21).