**When Does Your Conscience Cease to Be Your Guide?**
I John 3:11-22

**I. When Should Your Conscience Be Your Guide?**

A. When it reminds you to do G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ W\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - I Timothy 1:5 & 3:9.

B. When it produces S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for your sin - II Corinthians 7:9.

**II. When Should Your Conscience
Not Be Your Guide?**

A. When you rely on C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - v18-22.

 1. What do we allow to rule us? Does God still care when we feel bad physically or emotionally?

 a. There's a lot to make us feel unworthy - v6, 8-9 & Romans 3:23.

 b. What does the verb tense in these verses imply?

 2. How is your conscience like a computer?

B. When you believe you must do G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ T\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the Lord to accept you.

 1. The righteous lifestyle comes as a R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of being God's child - Ephesians 2:8-10.

 2. So what happens when you commit yourself to the Lord?

**III. How Can You Know the Difference?**

A. When L\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ becomes the main expression of your life - v14.

 1. v16 - Love's E\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - John 10:11 & 3:16.

 2. v17 - Love's E\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 3. v14 - The result: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

B. But, the absence of love is H\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

 1. There's no M\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in I John! - v14-15 & Matthew 5:21-28

 2. The Bible example - v12 & Hebrews 11:4.

 3. This is why the world does what? - v13; John 3:20
 & Ephesians 2:10

 4. How is hate expressed? - v17

 5. What does lack of love do to your faith? - James 2:15-16

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