

The Book of 3 John Message 2

“Life in the Church: Part 2”

3 John 1:1-14

Message Title: “Life in the Church: Part 2”

- I. The Church **Loves** (vs 1-2a)
- II. The Church **Truthfully Operates**
- III. The Church **Prays** (vs 2)
 - a. The Church Prays for **Success**

Genesis 39:2-3 “And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a **prosperous** man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. ³ And his master saw that the LORD *was* with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to **prosper** in his hand.”

- b. The Church Prays for **Physical Well Being**

1 Timothy 4:8 “For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.”

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 “What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? ²⁰ For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.”

- c. The Church Prays for **Spiritual Well Being**

1 Timothy 4:8 “For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.”

- IV. The Church **Rejoices** (vs 3-4)

James 2:14-26 “What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?”

James 2:26 “For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.”

- V. The Church **Testifies** (5-6a)
- VI. The **Church Members Application**
 - a. We Must **Demonstrate Our Love**

John 14:21 “**He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.**”

2 Corinthians 5:21 “For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.”

- b. We Must **Operate Off of Truth**

c. We Must **Pray**

Matthew Henry “Prayer is a salve for every sore, a remedy for every malady; and when we are afflicted with thorns in the flesh, we should give ourselves to prayer. If an answer be not given to the first prayer, nor to the second, we are to continue praying. Troubles are sent to teach us to pray; and are continued, to teach us to continue instant in prayer.”

d. We Must **Rejoice**

e. We Must **Testify**