A. Class Objectives: To help deepen our knowledge of God’s Word through a study of the little Epistles of John. These letters will help us to better understand that faith is based on the truth of revelation, not subjective opinion and that genuine faith cannot be separated from love. Faith expresses itself in righteousness and produces assurance. Martin Luther wrote of 1 John: *“I have never read a book written in simpler words than this one, and yet the words are inexpressible.”*

 B. Class Schedule: This series is adapted from Bible Institute materials and will be taught each Sunday at 9:30 AM by DeWayne Bolin, NWBC Elder, (cf., dates and lesson titles are always subject to change).

 1. Historical Background 09/29/2013 1, 2, 3 John

 2. Love One Another in Truth 11/03/2013 2 John 1-6

 3. Be Careful of Deceivers 11/10/2013 2 John 7-13

 4. Gaius, A Good Example 11/17/2013 3 John 1-8

 5. Diotrephes, A Bad Example 11/24/2013 3 John 9-14

 6. John’s Purpose in Writing 12/01/2013 1 John 1:1-4

 7. Fellowship Basics 12/08/2013 1 John 1:5-10

 8. Deliverance from Sin 12/15/2013 1 John 2:1-2

 9. Do You Love Your Brother 12/22/2013 1 John 2:3-11

 10. Do You Love the World 12/29/2013 1 John 2:12-17

 11. Do You Know the Truth 01/05/2014 1 John 2:18-27

 12. Who Are the Children of God 01/12/2014 1 John 2:28-3:10

 13. Love, an Evidence of Life 01/19/2014 1 John 3:11-18

 14. Assurance, the Result of Love 01/26/2014 1 John 3:19-24

 15. Discerning the Truth 02/02/2014 1 John 4:1-6

 16. Manifesting His Love 02/09/2014 1 John 4:7-21

 17. We Are the Champions 02/16/2014 1 John 5:1-5

 18. Three Assuring Witnesses 02/23/2014 1 John 5:6-12

 19. Certainties of the Saved (a) 03/02/2014 1 John 5:13-17

 20. Certainties of the Saved (b) 03/09/2014 1 John 5:18-21

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