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- According to John, from the time Jesus ascended back into heaven, until He returns, this time period John considers the <u>last days</u>.
- We have been living in the "last days" for <u>2,000</u> years.
- The phrase "last days" is meant as a period of time with special <u>vigilance</u> and anticipation.
- To deny Jesus is to be <u>anti</u> <u>Christ</u>.
- To <u>hate</u> someone is to deny Jesus.
- Those who hate those whom God loves are <u>anti</u> <u>God</u>.
- Agape love is <u>sacrificially</u> putting the needs of someone else before yours.
- John Wesley said: "And he must hate, if he does not love him: there is no <u>medium</u>."
- What if we love ourselves <u>better</u> as we love our neighbors?
- What if we learn to love ourselves as we love people?
- Realization is an <u>opportunity</u>.