

"Aloha Ke Akua"

1 John 4.7-21

Pastor's Sermon: "Beloved, let us love one another"
SAT DOWN - PEOPLE SURPRISED - LEFT QUIETLY - REPEATED FOR 3 WEEKS
4th SOMEONE STOOD AND SHOUTED - "Enough, when will this stop!"
"WHEN WE ALL BEGIN TO REALLY LOVE EACHOTHER"

PALM SUNDAY - GOD OF LOVE ENTERED JERUSALEM TO GIVE HIS LIFE

1 JOHN 4.7-21 - THIRD GIVING SOCIAL TEST "LOVE ONE ANOTHER"

1st Examination 2.7-11 - Matter of Light and Darkness
2nd Exam 3.10-14 - Matter of Life and Death
3rd - PART OF THE VERY BEING AND NATURE OF GOD - God is Love

HARD TO BELIEVE

DEATH OF INNOCENT CHILDREN - Somalia, Bosnia, AIDS

WORLD FULL OF SORROW, EVIL, AND SUFFERING

IF THERE IS A GOD HE IS POWERLESS OR ALOOF

NOT THE WORDS OF IGNORANT, LUNATIC

WISE, MATURE APOSTLE OF JESUS "God is Love"

1. God who is Love

a. Origin v. 7

ALL TRUE LOVE COMES FROM GOD

b. Nature vs. 8,16

NOT IDENTIFYING QUALITY GOD POSSESSES - ESSENCE OF HIS BEING

c. Initiative v. 19

2. God who always Loves

a. Past: Propitiation vs. 9-10

b. Present: Indwelling vs. 12-16 John 14.23

c. Future: Confidence vs. 17,18Š
3. God who demands Love

a. Exclusive v. 8

b. Evidence vs. 21,22