MS106-13 Answers (1 John 2:28-3:24)

Read 1 John 2:28-3:3

1) John encouraged his readers to continue in Christ, so that when He appears we may be confident and unashamed before Him at his coming. (2:28)

2) John describes those who are born of Christ as those who do what is right. (2:29)

3) The reason the world does not know or recognize those who are born of Christ is that it did not know Him. (3:1)

4) We know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. (3:2)

5) Everyone who has the hope stated in 3:2 purifies themselves, just as Jesus is pure. (3:3)

Read 1 John 3:4-10

6) John describes sin as lawlessness. (3:4)

7) Christ appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. (3:5)

8) John said that no one who lives in Christ keeps on sinning. (3:6)

9) John said that no one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him. (3:6)

10) The reason the Son of God appeared was so that he might take away our sins. The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. 3:5 (3:8) These verses relate because when we believe in Christ and surrender all to Him, His power puts to death our selfish-sin nature and sets us free.

11) We know who the children of God and the children of the devil are, because anyone who does not do what is right is not God's child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister. (3:9-10)

Read 1 John 3:11-24

12) The message John's readers had heard from the beginning was that we should love one another. (3:11)

13) We should not be surprised if the world hates us. (3:13)

14) We know we have passed from death to life, because we love each other. (3:14)

15) John describes the person who hates his brother as a murderer, and that no murderer has eternal life residing in him. (3:15)

16) We know what love is because Jesus Christ laid down his life for us and we ought to be willing to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. (3:16)

17) This love should be expressed practically by sharing our possessions with those who have a need. We should not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. (3:17-18)

18) If our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God that we will receive anything we ask, because we keep His commands and do what pleases him. (3:21-22).

19) This is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us, these two things prove that we live in Him and He in us.