"Testify to Love" – Sermon Notes – Jan. 1, 2024 1 John 1:1-4 – series: Joy Complete

The "Word of life" in v2 is J and Jesus' M
Jesus is fully G and fully H
"Even on the cross He did not hid Himself from sigh; rather, Homade all creation witness to the presence of its Maker." (Athanasius)
John witnessed Jesus, testifies to Jesus, and proclaims his message.
Who or what do you testify to?

Sunday Seconds: "Testify to Love" (for small group discussion or personal reflection)

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- 1. Who do you listen to about Jesus? V1 gives us some good criteria for this.
- 2. In v2, we hear about "eternal life." How do we get this? See Romans 6:23 and John 4:14.
- 3. Read Romans 16:25-27. In the New Testament, Jesus is the "mystery revealed." Not only is this a demonstration of God's power, it also says something about what God wants to do inside us. What is it like for God to "know" us and for us to know Him?
- 4. Jesus is the "Word of life" and also speaks a "word of life" to us. What does it feel like when He does this? Is there an example from your life you can share with the group?
- 5. Receiving the "Word of life" brings us into fellowship with others. Is Christian fellowship the most important fellowship if your life? What can you do to develop this fellowship this week?
- 6. What do you need to fellowship with God and His people right now?
- → This week, pray for the places where you need God's presence.