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- If you love your brother you _____ in the light & you won't _____! (v. 10)
- If you hate your brother, you are _____ & still in the _____! (v. 11)

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