



MESSAGE NOTES

Walking in the Light

1 John 1:5-2:2

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1 John 1:5 *This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.*

1. From darkness to light

1 John 1:6-7 *If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.*

We move from darkness into light when we enter into a relationship with God. To walk in the light means to walk in love. As we love God and love other people more and more each day, we experience deeper levels of fellowship with Him and with each other.

2. Purified and set free

1 John 1:8-9 *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

When we choose to follow Jesus, He gives us new life. He pulls us out of the darkness and sets us free. We still sin but we are no longer a slave to sin. And He is always, continually faithful to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

3. Past, present and future guarantee

1 John 1:10-2:2 *If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.*

God's complete forgiveness past, present and future is guaranteed by the blood of Jesus. All the sins we have ever committed and all the sins we will ever commit have been paid for. When you know you have been forgiven you become a more forgiving person.