

“Implications of Walking in the Light”

I John 2:1-3

Knowing Jesus Changed a Fisherman’s Life

- Jesus is the **“Word of Life”** responsible for the creation of the world and John had the privilege of seeing Him in action for three years (I John 1:1)
- Jesus is **“Eternal Life”** and He lived among us so we could understand what “Eternal Life” is like for a human being. (I John 1:2)
- Jesus involved Himself intimately in the lives of His disciples representing a **“True Fellowship”** with God that he now invites others to enjoy. (I John 1:3)
- **“Walking in the Light”** is being a “life-giving” and “life-sustaining” person that lives to serve people as did Jesus. (I John 1:5-7)
- **“Walking in the Light”** is the foundation of our fellowship with each other and connectedness to Jesus where we are continually being cleansed and made righteous. (I John 1:7-10)

Implications of Walking in the Light (I John 2:1-3)

1. “Walking in the Light” conflicts with the nature of sin in our lives and we should not sin.

(I John 2:1; Romans 3:21-26)

- Understanding our goal to be “life-giving” means sin is anything we do that could hurt another person’s life.
- Sinlessness is living a “righteous life.” Romans 3:21-26
- Living without sin means we are always asking whether or not our actions are denying self and choosing to do what is in the best interests of others as informed by the will of Jesus.

2. But when we do sin, we know we have Jesus “at our side” and His commitment to us is “righteous” and He has already covered our sins. (I John 2:1-2)

- Jesus’ “Righteousness” means He is committed to doing what is in our best interests. (See again Romans 3:21-26)
- Jesus’ “Righteousness” is proved by what He did on the cross to cover our sins.
- Sin is no longer our greatest concern in life because of Jesus.

3. Our relationship with God is not proved by our perfection, but by our commitment to obeying Jesus.

(I John 2:3; Matthew 28:18-20; John 13:34-35)

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“The Light” Exposes Me and Leads Me to Obey Jesus

- **We are a people who are secure in relationship with Jesus because He sees our sin and covers it.**

John 4:14-18

- **We are a people who have chosen to listen to Jesus and do whatever He asks us to do.**

John 10:14-16; 26-27