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# 1ST JOHN CH1

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## "What Real Real Fellowship Is All About"

### Chapter 1 Outline

- A) Real fellowship is with God and Jesus (1 Jn. 1:1-4).
- B) Must comprehend God's nature (1 Jn. 1:5-6).
- C) The power of the blood (1 Jn. 1:7-8).
- D) Confession & honesty brings cleansing (1 Jn. 1:9-10).

*"So that you too may  
have fellowship with  
us..." -1 Jn 1:3*

**1st John Chapter 1 Questions**

1) According to John himself, what was the purpose for this writing? (1:1-4).

2) John begins his epistle by arguing that Jesus was indeed a real and tangible person (1:1-2). Which false teaching disagrees with John's argument?

a) Asceticism.

b) Docetism.

c) Polytheism.

3) What does John call Jesus in verses 1-2?

a) “The \_\_\_\_\_ of life, the life was made manifest...”

b) “The \_\_\_\_\_ life, which was with the Father...”

4) According to John, what was he proclaiming/ declaring and why? (1:3).

5) How does one come into fellowship with the Father and Jesus?

6) To have fellowship with God, what must one first comprehend about God? (1:5-6).

7) According to John, how powerful is the blood of Jesus for those who are in fellowship with Him? (1:7). Does Jesus' blood have an inherent ability or is this a figure of speech concerning something else? (Consider Leviticus 17:11 & Hebrews 9:22).

8) What must those in fellowship confess? (1:8-9). What does it mean to "confess."

9) How is God's character described when we confess? (1:9).

9) What are the ramifications of saying that we have not sinned? (1:10).

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# 1ST JOHN CH2

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## "Christians Know The Truth"

### Chapter 2 Outline

- A) Truly know God: Keep His commandments (1 Jn. 2:1-5).
- B) Walking as Christ walked (1 Jn. 2:6-11).
- C) Christian's are familiar with the Faith (1 Jn 2. 12-14)
- D) Christian's and the world do not mix (1 Jn. 2:15-17).
- E) Do not be deceived (1 Jn. 2:18-29).

*"Let what you heard  
from the beginning  
abide in you" -1  
Jn 2:24.*

## 1st John Chapter 2 Questions

- 1) According to John, what was another purpose for this writing? (2:1).
  
- 2) What two descriptions of Jesus does John give in the first few verses? Elaborate on what they mean, and how they relate to Jesus' salvation work.
  
- 3) According to John, how can one be certain that he has truly come to know and understand Jesus Christ? (2:3). According to John, how can one know if he is in Jesus Christ? (2:5-6).
  
- 4) How did Jesus walk? (vs 6). (See Matt 20:29-34; Lk 23:34; Jn 6:38; Jn 8:29; Eph 5:1-2; Phil 2:5-8)
  
- 5) What is the "commandment," and how is it both old and new? (2:7-11).

6) John's strong feeling and determination to bring assurance to his readers is clearly seen in verses 12-14. The designations "little children," "fathers," and "young men" may represent different age groups or varying stages of spiritual maturity. List one thing that John has to say about each group in order to encourage them.

7) John warns against loving the world, how can we guard against this? (See Rom 12:1-2; Rom 13:14; Col 3:1-2; 1 Pet 4:1-3).

8) Who is the Antichrist? (2:18-19, 22).

9) What must we let abide in us? (2:24). Why? (2:25).

10) Many were attempting to deceive these Christians, why did these brethren not need anyone else to teach them (the truth)? (2:20-21, 26-27). Why should we abide in Jesus? (2:28).

11) According to John, what's one way we can know if someone has been born of God? (2:29).

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# 1ST JOHN CH3

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## "Sin Is Never Acceptable"

### Chapter 3 Outline

- A) Hoping in Christ = living a pure life (1-3).
- B) Sin undermines Christ (4-5).
- C) Sin is from the devil, period (6-8).
- D) True children of God are evident (9-10).
- E) True children of God love each other (11-18).
- F) The heart of a true child of God (19-24).

*"No one who abides in  
him keeps on sinning"  
-1 Jn 3:6.*

### 1st John Chapter 3 Questions

1) According to John, how did God display his love? (3:1).

2) What should those who have the hope of one day seeing God, do? (3:2-3). How can this be done? (See 1 Peter 1:22; James 4:8; 2 Corinthians 7:1).

3) How does John describe sin? (3:4). (See also Matthew 7:21-23; Colossians 3:17).

4) Besides what many think, what was the central purpose for Jesus' appearing (manifestation) in the flesh? (3:5,8).

5) Why is it impossible to abide in Christ while embracing sin? (3:6). (See also Matthew 12)

6) What has the devil been doing from the beginning? (3:8).

7) John strongly argues that a Christian cannot continue to sin! Why not? (3:9-10).

8) What is the message from the beginning, and how can it help us to guard against sinning? (3:11). (See also 1 Peter 4:8; Colossians 3:14; Romans 13:9-10; Matthew 5:43-48)

9) Why go all the way back to the beginning to use the example of Cain & Able? (3:12-14).

10) John tells us we know what love is. How? (3:16). According to John, how does it behave? (3:17-18).

11) How and Why should we assure our hearts before God? (3:19-24).

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# 1ST JOHN CH4

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## "Do Not Be Deceived"

### Chapter 4 Outline

#### *Do not be deceived...*

- A) By false teachers (1 Jn 4:1-6).
- B) About God's plans (1 Jn 4:7-13).
- C) We must own our relationship with God (1 Jn 4:15-17).
- D) About the nature, behavior, and motivation of love (1 Jn 4:18-21).
- F) The heart of a true child of God (19-24).

*"Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God" -1 Jn 4:1*



7) According to John, what did they learn about their relationship with God, given the fact that He had given them His Holy Spirit? (4:13).

8) What must Christians do to abide in Christ and God? (4:15-17).

9) Complete the following

a) "There is no \_\_\_\_\_ in love"

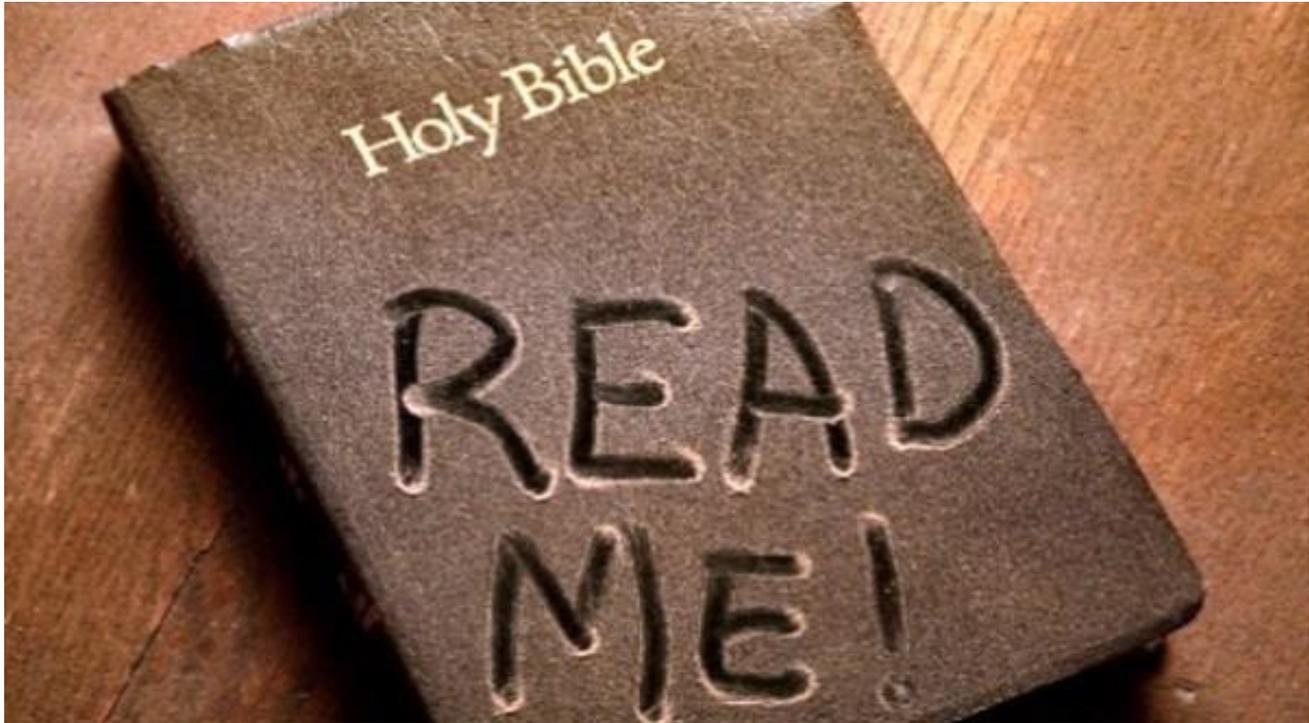
b) "We love because \_\_\_\_\_"

10) What do you call one who says, "I love God," yet hates his brother or sister? Why? (4:20-21).

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# 1ST JOHN CH5

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## "Real Christians Are Confident In Their Faith"

### Chapter 5, Outline

- A) Real Christian's love and obey (1-3)
- B) Real Christian's have overcome the world (4-5)
- C) Real Christian's accept God's testimony (6-11)
- D) Real Christians know they are saved (12-13)
- E) Real Christians know they will be heard and taken care of (14-15)
- F) Real Christians are mindful of sin and evil in the world (16-19)
- G) Real Christians comprehend the significance of Christ (20-21)

*"For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith."  
- 1 Jn 5:4*

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7) How can we have eternal life in the Son?

8) According to John, what is sin? (5:17).

9) Who protects those who have truly been born of God and from what are they protected? (5:18).

10) According to John, how can we know God is true, and how can we know we are in Him and His Son? (5:19-20).

11) What should children of God keep themselves from? (5:21). What possible relevance could this have had during their time period?