

Walking in the Light

Scripture: **1 John 1:5 - 10**

Series / Title: **Doctrine & Devotion**

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Overview

Many people (including believers) buy into the lie that the Christian life we are called to is one of perfection. It isn't—we, even as believers, can not live up to God's perfect standard. Jesus protects us from perfectionism by leading us to ongoing purification.

Discussion Questions

1. Is the fact that God is light (v5) comforting to you? Why or why not?
2. What does it mean to walk in darkness (v6)? [living in sin without confession, repentance, hope, and walking with Jesus] How does walking in darkness usually manifest itself? [either: sin without conviction, or sin with conviction but without hope] Which one do you typically experience?
3. What is our fellowship (v7) with God based on? [Christ's obedience, not ours] How often do we get those confused?
4. Why is delusional to think that we have no sin (v8)? [There is no part of our day that sin doesn't cling to]
5. Why is confession (v9) important? [it leads to forgiveness] How often do we need to be confessing? Are you doing so?
6. Why is a claim that we haven't sinned such a big deal? [It tries to make God out to be a liar because we are all in need of forgiveness]
7. How did Joe define purification? [forgiveness of our sin and transformation] How is purification accomplished? [knowing our sin, not making excuses for it, but confessing it] What is the promise if we do that from Ephesians 5:8ff? [we confess; He forgives—this is where we find freedom]
8. What is the primary application of this sermon to our lives? [Look to Jesus]