JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY

1 John 1:1-10 Jesus Is the Word of Life June 17, 2018

Central Truth: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son Cleanses us from all sin. In other words, Jesus is the only Way to real life and joy.

1. The Evidence of Christ's Life (1:1-4).
   A. He was from the beginning the Word of Life (1).
      1) They heard Him.
      2) They saw Him.
      3) They touched Him.
   B. The manifestation of His life revealed His eternal existence (2).
      (Genesis 1:1-2; John 1:1).
   C. Our fellowship with the Father depends upon Christ's fellowship with the Father (3). (1 John 5:7)
   D. Our joy should be full as a result of our fellowship with the Lord (4).
      (Psalm 5:11; Philippians 2:1-3).

2. The Message of Christ's Redemption (1:5-7).
   A. God is Light (5).
      (1 Thessalonians 1:2-5)
   B. We must not walk in darkness (6).
      (Proverbs 2:10-14)
   C. If we walk in the light, we are blessed: (7)
      1) We have fellowship with one another
      2) The blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin.

3. The Advantage to Being Honest About Our Sins (1:8-10).
   A. Denial of our sin does not help us (8, 10).
   B. The only remedy for sin is confession unto God (9)
      (Psalm 1)

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Memory Verse: *This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.* (1 John 1:5)

Prayer: *Lord, lead me in the ways of everlasting righteousness. Please help me to live at peace with my fellow man.*

Reading Plan:

Monday	1 John 1
Tuesday	1 John 2
Wednesday	1 John 3
Thursday	1 John 4
Friday	1 John 5
Saturday	Philippians 2
Sunday	Psalm 1

Song for the Week: *Word of Life*, by Jeremy Camp

Consider:

- Discuss the three senses that were used in 1 John 1:1 to describe how the disciples witnessed the fact that Jesus is the Word of Life. What senses do we employ as we witness the glory of God in our lives?
- Talk about the importance of the Word (Logos) within the culture of Greek thought and life. Who does the Word relate to in Biblical thought?
- Discuss the oneness of the Trinity as described in 1 John 5:7 and how does this relationship give us an example of unity among Christian believers?
- Why do you think that some Christians lack the kind of joy that the Scriptures talk about? In other words, what are some hindrances to our joy? (cf. Philippians 2:1-3).
- Why does the Lord not want believers to walk in darkness? How does godly wisdom help us to walk in the light? (cf. Proverbs 2:10-14).
- Why is it so important to be honest about our sin before God? What are the advantages of confessing every known sin to the Father?

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Coming Next Week
"Jesus Is Everything" Colossians 1:9-18
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