



Study + Discussion Sheets

[For the Week of May 21st - 27th]

“LIVING WELL: CONFESSION + ATONEMENT”

LOVE: 1st John Pt. 3

Dig deeper into Sunday's message. These study + discussion questions are based {1 John 1:1-2:2 and the May 21, 2017 message, *Living Well: Confession + Atonement*.

INTRODUCTION

What really constitutes biblical fellowship? A covered dish supper? Coffee and doughnuts? Well organized social events, outreaches, and activities? Perhaps more than any other passage of Scripture, these opening verses of 1 John establish the basis of true fellowship that is to be enjoyed and experienced by all Christians. More importantly, they enable us to understand how we can know we have fellowship with God.

What thoughts and feelings come to your mind when you think of Christian fellowship?

1 JOHN 1:1-10

1. “John” begins this chapter by announcing an apostolic message. What is the content of that message (vv. 1-2)?
2. What are John's reasons for announcing his message (vv. 3-4)?
3. John provides a test by which we can know if we have fellowship with God (vv. 5-10).
4. The first part of John's test concerns the way we live or “walk” (vv. 6-7). What is the relationship between our conduct and our claim to have fellowship with God?
5. The second part of John's test concerns our attitude toward sin (vv. 8-10). What does our denial or confession of sin reveal about the reality of our relationship with God?
6. Based on your study of this passage, what does it mean to have fellowship with God—and each other?

1 John 2:1-2

7. Although John does not want us to sin, he knows that we sometimes do (vv. 1-2). How does the realization that Jesus speaks “in our defense” provide comfort and assurance when you sin?
8. How does this passage encourage you to obey Christ and love other members of his body?

ASSIGNMENT/EXERCISE FOR THE WEEK:

9. Pray that the level of fellowship in your church would be deepened and enriched.



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