

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: September 27, 2017
1 John 1:5-2:2

1. What is the message that John says the disciples had heard from Christ and he is declaring to the church? _____ is _____; in him there is no _____.
2. What does it mean to walk in darkness (see John 3:18-20)?
 - a. Absence of light.
 - b. Absence of Christ.
 - c. A place where evil deeds can continue without accountability or exposure.
 - d. Walking in sin.
3. Can we have fellowship with God while walking in darkness, according to verse 1:6? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

4. Are you walking in darkness? Yes_____ No_____ If so, can you also say that you have fellowship with God? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

5. What two things happen when we walk in the light, according to verse 1:7?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
6. Why is verse 1:8 so important?
 - a. Because people who have never sinned have no need for a Savior.
 - b. Because our nature is to deceive ourselves into thinking we are better than we really are.
 - c. Because confession (and repentance, according to Mark 1:4, Luke 5:32, Luke 24:46-47, and Acts 2:38 among others) is the only way to salvation and forgiveness and we can't confess or repent if we claim that we have not sinned.
 - d. All of the above.
7. What does God do if we confess our sins, according verse 1:9?
 - a. He is faithful and just.
 - b. He will forgive us our sins.
 - c. He will purify us from all unrighteousness.
8. Why was this letter written, according to 2:1?
 - a. So we know that we are forgiven.
 - b. So we feel better about our sin.
 - c. So that we will not sin.
9. Should sin be the pattern of life for a Christian?
 - a. No, if we walk in darkness we cannot claim to have fellowship with God.
 - b. No, if we walk in the light, the blood of Jesus purifies us from all sin.
 - c. No, God is faithful not just to forgive us but also to purify us from all unrighteousness.
 - d. No, 2:1 says that John wrote this so that we wouldn't and then says "if" anybody does sin...
10. What happens if we do sin, according to 2:1-2?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
11. If we know that Jesus is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, does this mean that we should feel freedom to continue in sin (see also Romans 6:1-2 and Hebrews 10:26-27)? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____