

Walking In The Light

1 John 1:7

Intro: John uses three words to describe God: Spirit (John 4:24),
Love (1 John 5:8), and
light (1 John 1:5).

Jn 8:12, John 1:5

This light is the disinfectant, holiness aspect of God's nature. John
also explains how we can partake in God's holiness (light).

1 Jn 1:5 *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.*

I. Avoid Hypocrisy, v. 6

**6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we
lie and do not practice the truth.**

A. Hypocrisy is having the outward clean but leaving the inside dirty, Mt 23
Means to wear a mask, Mk 7:6

B. We are called to (walk in light) cleanse our heart and our lives, Luke 12:2

**7 But 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.**

C. Walking in the light brings true freedom in Christ, Ephesians 2:1

II. Avoid Pride, v 8

**8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth
is not in us.**

A. Pride is among the most dangerous of sins, Pro. 11:2, Gal. 6:3
Characteristic of worst people: Nebuchadnezzar (Dan.) Herod (Acts)

B. Worship of self brings destruction
Romans 1, 2 Tim. 3:1-3

**9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our
sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

C. We must humble ourselves before God
James says humble and he will exalt, Philippians 2

III. Avoid Delusion, v. 10

**10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word
is not in us.**

A. Some believe they don't need a Savior
Romans 3:23, Isaiah 59:1-2

B. The word of the Lord is greater than our conscience
1 John 2:1, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Ephesians 5:8