

1 John Series | 1 John 1:5-2:2 | Discussion Notes

Intro:

- Challenged you last week to think about why you believe in Jesus
 - I hope some of you did that!
- I have another challenge this week
- Turn to 1 John
 - Start in v. 5
- We are going to be learning about some characteristics of God in 1 John
 - When we learn more about God's character and nature, it enables us to...

Question:

- Who or what is light?
- V. 5- God is light
- What does it mean God is light?
 - Light to guide us
 - Good things- light=good / dark=bad
 - Star wars- light / dark side
 - In my study, Light=the fullness of life, darkness=death
- God=Life
 - Creation- plants, animals, even us- breathed life into Adam
 - We also see this in our spiritual life, which I will come back to
- Read v. 6
 - If we walk in darkness, then we for sure aren't walking in light!
 - Matthew 6
 - Also talking about light and darkness
 - 24- No one can serve two masters
- Read v. 7
 - Fellowship with one another- community, like 144
 - And the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin

- This life I am talking about is not physical life- what we are talking about is way bigger than physical life

God's way=life, earthly way=death

Jesus is the one who allows us to have life

- John 12:46- I have come as light into the world, so that everyone who believes in me would not remain in darkness

Jesus being light- John 12:46

- He came to bring life, so that we would not remain in darkness / death

Read Psalm 27:1

Read Psalm 36:9

Challenge:

Read through all of 1 John over this next week

- Write down any questions you have- ask the leaders
 - We want to help you come to a better understanding of God and who He is, and also His word