

COLLATERAL EFFECTS

1 John 2:1-11

John taught **what we believe shapes how we behave.**

John established a doctrinal anchor: Jesus is our advocate with the Father and the propitiation for our sins. Jesus fully dealt with the righteous wrath of a Holy God against sin.

John confronted Gnosticism: Described as the ultimate heresy denying things like the incarnation and the resurrection. It attacks Christianity at its core!

Gnosticism versus **Biblical beliefs:**

Three areas affected by Gnostic thinking:

- _____
- _____
- _____

References: John 1:1, 1 John 2:1-9, Psalm 139:13-14, Matthew 7:21, James 2:19

Three collateral effects of loving others like Jesus: 1 John 2:10-11

1. Loving others like Jesus gives me _____.

2. Loving others like Jesus develops my spiritual _____.

References: Matthew 16:25, 1 Peter 1:22

3. Loving others like Jesus _____ their walk with Christ.

Jesus prayed in John 17:23 (ESV) *"I in them and you in me...that the world may know that you sent me."*

Home Work Challenge:

Memorize:

1 John 2:10 Whoever loves his brother abides in the light, and in him there is no cause for stumbling.