



Walking in the Light

BIG IDEA

God has promised to cleanse those who walk in fellowship with Him from all sin and wickedness. When we confess our sins and walk in fellowship with Him, He is faithful and just to do what He says. Fellowship is the key to overcoming sin in your life. Worship is the key to staying in fellowship.

TALK IT OVER

- Read 1 John 1:5-2:5
- Interpretation: According to 1 John 1:8–10, what happens when we hide, excuse, or deny our sin? What does true confession look like? What happens when we confess our sins?
- Application: We often try to overcome sin by simply trying harder not to sin. Read Galatians 5:16. Why does the order matter—walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh? What would it look like for you to focus more on staying close to Jesus rather than focusing on your own ability to change?
- Application: 1 John 1:9 says God is faithful and just to forgive and cleanse us. Where are you tempted to rely on your own strength to change instead of trusting God to do the work of cleansing and transformation in you?
- Application: Read 1 John 2:1–2. When you fail, are you more likely to hide from God, try to fix yourself, or run back to Him? How does knowing Jesus is your Advocate change the way you respond to sin?
- Interpretation/Application: According to 1 John 2:3–5, what is the relationship between fellowship and obedience? Why is obedience the evidence of fellowship rather than the way we earn it?

PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God to shift your focus from your own strength to His faithfulness. Pray for the courage to confess sin quickly, walk by the Spirit, and trust Jesus to cleanse and change you.