

1 JOHN

Lesson 2

1 John 2:1-14

We continue our study of 1 John by exploring the second chapter.

We will be considering the Christian "walk" and what it means to "walk as Jesus did."

Please read 1 John 2:1-14, and then consider the following:

1. In 1 John 2:1, what does John mean when he says that Christ speaks to the Father in our defense? Does he mean that Christ tries to defend the reasons why we committed a particular sin each time he defends us?

2. In 1 John 2:2, John tells us that Jesus is the atoning sacrifice "for the sins of the whole world." Additionally, in the Gospel of John (John 1:29), Jesus is called the "Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world." Does this mean that the whole world is already saved, since he died once for all?

3. Now reread 1 John 2:3-6. What does it mean to walk as Christ walked? How did Christ walk? For some help, see John 15:1-8 and Matthew 3:17, 7:16, 9:36, 12:18, and 17:5. List at least three things that you learned about how to walk as Christ walked from these passages:
 - a. John 15:1-8

 - b. Matthew 3:17
 - i. ANSWER: Jesus is the Son of God.
 - c. Matthew 7:16

 - d. Matthew 9:36

 - e. Matthew 12:18

 - f. Matthew 17:5

4. What is John telling us in 1 John 2:9-11 about true Christians and our walk with Christ?

5. In 1 John 2:12-14, which three spiritual age groups are mentioned?
6. What is the main characteristic of each group? Can you see a natural progression from child to father as we grow in Christ? List below the trait or traits you see John referring to for each level of spiritual growth.

Bonus Question:

7. By considering the first fourteen verses from John Chapter 2, and all of Chapter 1, can you describe the type of false teaching in the church at Ephesus that John is trying to address? Can you give some examples of similar false teaching occurring today within the organized church?

Praise God that his only son Jesus died for our sins, was resurrected, and sits at the right hand of the Father interceding for us.
(Romans 8:34)

Have a great week everyone!

In Christ,

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