

We are all either children of light or darkness – I John 1:5-10

God is light.

What does a false Christian look like?

- He makes a false claim to have fellowship with God (1:6).
- He walks in darkness (1:6).
- He claims to be without sin (1:8, 10).
- He does not have the truth in him (1:8,10).

What does a true Christian look like?

- He walks in the light (1:7).
- He confesses his sin (1:9).
- He has fellowship with other believers and with the Lord (1:7,9).

Questions for Discussion & Application:

1. What was difficult, helpful, or challenging from this study of God's Word?
2. What does it mean to say that God is light?
3. Fellowship with the God who is light will inevitably transform us so that we walk in the light. What do you think it means to walk in the light?
4. We looked at several descriptions of the false Christian. Which of these stood out the most to you? Why?
5. One mark of the true Christian is that he continues to confess sin. What does it mean to confess sin?

6. How is confession of sin lived out in your own life?
7. Do you ever confess your sin to another trusted Christian? What are some of the benefits of doing this? (see James 5:16)
8. Being a person who walks in the light allows us to have true fellowship with other Christians. Why would these two things be connected?
9. What does fellowship with other Christians look like in your own life?
10. The false Christians that the Apostle John addressed in our passage were claiming to be without sin. Why would false Christians want to make this kind of claim?