



*Light Changes  
Everything*

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**1 John 1:5-10 (NLT)** *This is the message we heard from Jesus, and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all. So, we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth. But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.*

*If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness. If we claim we have not sinned, we are calling God a liar and showing that his word has no place in our hearts.*



# 1. God is Light

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**1 John 1:5a (NLT)** *This is the message we heard from Jesus, and now declare to you: God is light...*

**Ps 104:2** *God wraps Himself in light.*

**1 John 1:5b** *...and there is no darkness in him at all.*



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**John 8:12** *Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, “I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won’t have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life.”*

## 2. Get Real with Yourself

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*1 John 1:6 So we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth.*



## 2. Get Real with Yourself

- What was Jesus referring to ?
- Jesus' statement to the religious leaders after He said "*I am the Light*"

**John 8: 15-16** *For you've set yourselves up as judges of others based on outward appearances, but I certainly never judge others that way. For I discern the truth. And I am not alone in my judgments, for my Father and I have the same Understanding in all things, and He has sent me to you..*



## 2. Get Real with Yourself

**Jeremiah 17:13** *LORD, you are the hope of Israel; all who forsake you will be put to shame. Those who turn away from you will be written in the dust because they have forsaken the LORD, the spring of living water.*

# 3. Live by the Truth

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**1 John 1:6** *So we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth.*

- Truth can be compromised



## Charlemagne (742-814AD)

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- Claimed to be Christian.
- Demanded that defeated enemies convert and be baptized – or be killed.
- This demand NOT officially sanctioned by church of the day.

## Alcuin of York (735-804)

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- “most influential Christian of his era no-one has heard of”
- Persuaded Charlemagne that Gospel should be freely given, freely received.





## Russian Orthodox Patriarch Kirill (1946 – present)

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QUOTE: *“He (Russian soldier sent to Ukraine) sacrifices himself for others and so we believe that this sacrifice washes away all the sins he has committed”.*

# 4. What's Your Cause?

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**1 John 1:7** *But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.*

- What would Jesus do?
- Fellowship essential
- Jesus' blood purifies & cleanses
- It's not what YOU do; it's what Jesus has already done

# 5. Keep on the Right Track

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**1 John 1:8-9** *If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.*