

The Christian's Foundation: *Love and Truth.*

Lesson 5: Proper Behavior of the Saint:

1 John 2:28 – 29; 1 John 3:1 - 10

INTRODUCTION:

In the first two chapters of 1 John, we discovered six truths. These truths were:

- The First Truth: The Word of Life – The Lord Jesus Christ.
- The Second Truth: God is Light – We are to Walk in that Light.
- The Third Truth: Christ Keeps the Saints.
- The Fourth Truth: The Saint is to Keep His Commandments.
- The Fifth Truth: The Saint is to Not Love the World.
- The Sixth Truth: Antichrists will be in the World.

Now in the latter two verses of Chapter 2 and the first ten verses of Chapter 3 we will revisit and expand upon the fourth truth taught in 1 John: The Saint is to Keep His Commandments. This fourth truth is expanded upon in the passage we will study.

I. Saints are _____ to the World: 2:28 – 29, 3:1 -3.

Verses 2:28 – 3:3 “(28) And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming. (29) If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him. (1) Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. (2) Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; or we shall see him as he is. (3) And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.”

A. Proper _____ of Saints – Abiding in Him: *Verses 28 and 29.*

B. The World will not _____ the Saints: *Verses 1 – 3. Romans 8:14 – 17; Galatians 4:4 – 6; John 1:10; Revelation 1:13 – 16; Philippians 3:21.*

II. Saints are _____ of the World: Verses 4 – 6.

Verses 4 – 6 "(4) Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. (5) And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. (6) Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him."

**A. The _____ has _____ God's Law(s): Verse 4.
Romans 4:15; Genesis 2:16 – 17; Romans 5:12.**

**B. The _____ has _____ God's Laws: Verse 5.
Romans 5:17 – 21; 2 Corinthians 5:18 – 21.**

**C. The Believer Must _____ in Fellowship to stay _____
from Sin: Verse 6. Romans 7:14 – 25; Romans 8:7 – 11.**

III. Nature of the Child of _____ and the Child of _____: Verses 7 - 10

Verses 7 – 10 "(7) Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. (8) He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. (9) Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. (10) In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother."

**A. The New Nature _____ the Believer to be
_____ : Verse 7. John 15:4.**

**B. The Old Nature is _____ by _____ : Verse 8.
Isaiah 14:12 – 15; Ezekiel 28:13 – 15; John 8:44.**

**C. The Child of _____ Endeavors to be _____ from
Sin: Verse 9. Ephesians 2:10.**

**D. The Child of _____ Endeavors to _____ in Sin:
Verse 10. Ephesians 2:2 – 3.**

CONCLUSION and APPLICATIONS:

- This passage of scripture expands upon the fourth truth in 1 John: The Saint is to Keep His Commandments.
- Abiding in Him is the proper behavior of the saint.
- The world will not recognize the behavior of the saints as what they would consider normal.
- One day we will no longer have to struggle with our sin nature. In that day we will be transformed and see the Lord Jesus Christ as He truly is.
- Evidence of a saint is his desire to abide in close fellowship with Christ and avoiding sin as a result.
- Evidence of one who has not accepted Christ as Saviour is being controlled by sin and not desiring fellowship with God.
- The nature of the child of God and the nature of the child of Satan are in contrast one to the other.
- A child of God will love his brother and do righteousness.
- A child of Satan will sin freely and not be able to show proper love.

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(Outline from Francis Dixon's Bible Study Notes)

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IV. Paul's Passion was Expressed in Prayer (10:1).

Notice five things about a soul winner's prayer, it should be:

- (1) shared; (2) sincere; (3) rightly directed; (4) definite; and
- (5) specific.

V. Paul's Passion was Expressed in Labors (I Corin. 15:58; Philippians. 1:22; I Thess. 2:9).

Notice three practical actions of a soul winner's labors:

- (1) his walk; (2) his talk; and (3) his letters.

Conclusion: The Apostle Paul under the influence and fullness of the Holy Spirit of God knew people by nature and by works are lost and headed to Hell. For that reason Paul's passion was for people to be saved and go to Heaven. His passion was expressed in his prayers and his labors.

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