

Fall: 2:42 Life Group Week 7

“Walking in the Light”

1 John 1:5-10

Getting to know each other:

- 1.) When you were young and growing up, what image came to mind, or what feelings did you experience when you thought about church? Who, or what, had the biggest impact on your life when it came to your ideas about going to church?

Getting into the Word:

- 2.) In 1 John 1:5, John gives us the message he heard from Jesus: “God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. What do you think this means for Christians, and how do the following verses help you define this statement?

John 8:12; 1 Peter 2:9; Eph 5:8–14; Col 1:12–14; John 3:18–21; Rom 13:11–14; Ps 119:105 & 130.

- 3.) Three times in this section of Scripture, John says, “If we say” to introduce a belief he claims is false. What are these three false claims? What do these say to you? See 1:6; 1:8; & 1:10.

- 4.) When a person is truly saved by Jesus Christ, God the Father now sees us as righteous, holy, forgiven, redeemed, and a new creation in Christ. This is known as our “Position in Christ”. And that position does not change. But we also know that we are far from perfect. We are still in the sanctification process. How we live our lives today determines our level of intimacy with the Lord. How do the following verses help us to have a closer walk with Jesus today? 1 Jn 1:7 & 9; Jn 13:7–10; Jn 15:1–4; JAMES 4:6–10; 2 Cor 7:8–11; Gal 5:13–18. Are there any other scriptures that have helped you?

“The idea that you can have fellowship with God without turning away from a life of sin is a lie. Real fellowship with God changes us from within.” —Pastor Chuck Smith