

FELLOWSHIPPING

1 John

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1. What does it mean to fellowship?
2. With whom does the bible say Christians are to fellowship?

Define fellowship: _____

I. Fellowship with God

A. 1 John 1:5

1. A declared message; God is _____, and in Him is no _____ at all.
2. What does this mean really? _____

B. 1 John 1:6

1. If we say we have _____ with Him, and walk in _____, we lie, and do not the _____.
2. What are some benefits that come from fellowship with God?

Thought question: Does every professing Christian fellowship w/ God?

II. Understanding our condition

A. Walking in light

1. But if we walk in _____, as He is in the _____, we have _____ with one another, and the blood of _____ His Son cleanseth us from all _____. (1 John 1:7)
2. Who do we have fellowship with? _____
3. How do we know that? _____
4. What does it mean to walk in light? _____

B. Deceiving ourselves, Forgiveness, and mocking Christ

1. How can we deceive ourselves? _____
2. Why do we do it ourselves? _____
3. What and to whom do we confess? _____
4. If we say that we have _____, we make Him a liar, and His _____ is not in us. (v. 10)

Thought Question: Verse 10 implies Christ can be a liar, true or not?

III. God's expectation of those who would fellowship with Him

A. Keep His commandments

1. How do we get to know God? _____

2. Can we fellowship with God without knowing Him?
3. Love and hate, but who is my brother? (1 John 2:9-11)
4. Can this keep a person from entering into Heaven?

B. Love not the world

1. A WARNING! Love not the _____, neither the things that are in the _____ . If any man _____ the world, the _____ of the Father is not in him. (1 John 2:15)
2. Explain the lusts mentioned in V. 16, and make application to worldly things. _____

Thought question: How does fellowship with the world keep us from God, keeping in mind the two points from this section?

IV. God's expectation of Christian fellowship with each other

A. Love one another

1. Beloved let us _____ one another: for love _____; and everyone that _____ is born of God, and _____ God. (1 John 4:7)
2. How can we let God dwell in us? _____
3. And this _____ have we from _____, that he who _____ God _____ his brother also. (1 John 4:21)

B. Loving His Son

1. Whosoever believeth that _____ is born of God, and every one that _____ Him who begat loves Him also who is _____ of Him. (1 John 5:1)
2. He that _____ the _____ has life; and he that _____ the Son of God has _____ life. (1 John 5:12)

Thought Questions:

1. Can one love Jesus and hate his brother, and have fellowship with God?
2. Does Love always mean compliments and kindness?

Follow up: Describe fellowship with God, and His children, what will you do differently?