

# Walking in the Light (1 John 1:5-10)

Sermon Notes: January 28

But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin. - 1 John 1:7

I did not learn my theology all at once; I had to search deeper for it where my temptations took me.

- Martin Luther

#### **Introduction:**

In these verses John teaches that there are three common errors with regard to this whole question of sin. It is because we go wrong in these three main respects that so many of us, according to the Apostle, fail to enjoy and experience this amazing fellowship with God and with Jesus Christ.

- Martyn Lloyd-Jones

A Theology of Lying: Walking in the Darkness?... or Walking in the Light?

1.	L١	ying	to	<b>Others</b>	(vs.	5 -	7
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- 2. Lying to Yourself (vs. 8 9)
- 3. Calling God a Liar (vs. 10)

#### **Questions for Reflection and Discussion:**

- i. What does it mean to walk in the darkness? What does it mean to walk in the light? (Eph. 5:8f)
- ii. How is it that we might be guilty of lying to each other as Christians? (Eph. 4:25; Col. 3:9)
- iii. How might we deceive ourselves? (1 Jn. 1:8 9; James 1:22 25)
- iv. How is that we could be guilty of calling God a liar? (1 Jn. 1:9 10)



## Study and Discussion Questions 1 John 1:5-10

### **Explore It**

1. What inconsistency did John address? ( <u>1:6</u> )
2. What results from "walking in the light"? (1:7)
3. How were some believers apparently deceiving themselves? (1:8)
4. In what way can a person make God out to be a liar? ( <u>1:10</u> )
Get It
5. What do you think the terms "light" and "darkness" represent?
6. In what way is God similar to light?
7. In what way do we "walk in darkness"?
8. How can we "walk in the light"?
9. What role does the confession of sins play in your daily life?
Apply It
10. What will you do to incorporate the confession of sins into your daily routine?