

SERMON SERIES: 1 John - Walk in Light, Love, and Life

SERMON TITLE: Why What and How

KEY TEXTS: 1 John 5:1-5, 1 John 2:21, 1 John 2:26, 1 John 5:13 NIV.

Big Idea: As Christians, we all experience highs and lows. We frequently feel as though we are being blown around by the winds of emotion or circumstance, whether it be internal or external. However, as time goes by, the proof of our inner transformation should become more and more obvious as God leads us on a consistent path towards maturity. What kind of relationship do you have with God? Consistent, and fruitful or occasional and ineffectual?"

John knew that we would never find in ourselves the faithfulness God requires. Instead, we have to place complete trust in the work and grace of God, believing that He will certainly conform us to the image of His Son, Jesus. That sense of being grounded in God only comes when we set aside our sins in the pursuit of the one true God. In this sermon series, you will learn how to walk in light, love, and experience the full measure of God's love and life for you, and as John put it, "if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us" (1 John 4:12). Our prayer is that God would be perfected in you during this series.

In this sixth sermon of the series, Pastor Benjamin shows us how to walk in the light, in love, and live the life that God gave us to live.

1 John 5:1-5 NIV

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this, we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

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A. Start Talking

What was your favorite game when you were young? If you had to play it now how would it be fair?

B. Start Thinking

- 1. Read 1 John 5:1-2 ESV and 1 John 5:13 ESV. What does it mean to you to be born of God? What signs indicate that you are born of God?
- 2. Read 1 John 2:3-4 and John 14:15 ESV. Do you find God's commandments to be burdensome? What steps will you take to ensure that you walk in His commandments?
- 3. How will you consistently remind yourself daily that through Christ you are an overcomer? Read 1 John 2:12-13 ESV and 1 John 5:4 ESV.

C. Start praying

Pray that the Lord will help you to love and live the life that He gave you.

D. Start Doing

- 1. Keep his commandments and walk as Christ walked.
- 2. Love other people and do not love the world.
- 3. Acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus Christ in your life.
- 4. Practice righteousness and do not make a practice of sinning.
- 5. Be filled with the Spirit of God and submit to His Word.
- 6. Overcome the world by walking in faith daily.

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