

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

**SERMON TITLE: Assurance in Jesus** 

KEY TEXTS: 1 John 5:11-17 NIV, Galatians 3:26-28, 1 John 5:18-20 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 ineffective?

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 final sermon of the series, Pastor Walker shows us how Jesus is the only way to God, the light, and life.

#### 1 John 5:11-17 NKJV

And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us whatever we ask, we know that we have what we asked of him. If you see any brother or sister commit a sin that does not lead to death, you should pray and God will give them life. I refer to those whose sin does not lead to death. There is a sin that leads to death. I am not saying that you should pray about that. All wrongdoing is sin, and there is sin that does not lead to death.

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## A. Start Talking

What is your favorite song and why?

### **B. Start Thinking**

- 1. Read John 14:6 NKJV and 1 John 5:10-12 NKJV. Do you believe there is a possibility to have eternal life apart from Jesus? Explain your answer.
- 2. Read 1 John 5:18-20 NIV. How often do you pray for other believers who are struggling with sin in their life? In what ways can you help them to get back to God?
- 3. How did the passage in 1 John 5 help you to see yourself and others with a better Biblical lens regarding walking in light, love, and life? What will you implement in your life from the sermon series? Read James 1:5 NIV and 1 John 5:20 NKJV.

# C. Start praying

Pray that the Lord will help you to grow and stand on His Word as well as see people through the biblical lens of God's Word.

#### D. Start Doing

- 1. Spend time in God's Word because the effectiveness of your prayer life is dependent on the degree to which the Word is saturated in your heart and mind.
- 2. When you face challenges in life, stand on what God's Word says about the situation.
- **3.** If the situation you are facing is not in the word, stand on the principles of what the Word of God states.
- **4.** Pray for and help other believers when you see them going down the path of sin.

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