



**Sunday, May 15, 2022**  
**Sermon Series: Walk in God's Light –**  
**Live in God's Love**

**Title: Who's Holding the Flashlight**  
**in Your Life?**

**Text: 1 John 1:5-10**

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**Big Idea:** John draws contrasts between spiritual light and spiritual darkness that will not allow for “sinful wiggle room” in a believer’s daily life.

**John declares three clear choices about God’s spiritual light:**

- 1) Do I **practice** God’s truth or **pretend** I don’t need it? (1 John 1:5-6 / Proverbs 1:7)
- 2) Do I treat God as my **guide** or my **excuse**? (1 John 1:7-8 / Romans 5:9-11)
- 3) Do I **confess** my sin or **call** God a liar? (1 John 1:8-10)

When God holds the spiritual flashlight of our life, we find joy in living within the light of His truth.

**Study/Application Questions and Actions:**

- 1) What properties of a physical flashlight could illustrate the importance of consistently living in God’s truth?
- 2) John used the word ‘light’ to indicate the delight we have in God’s truth. How can we keep the truth of God from feeling like drudgery instead of delight?
- 3) The command to ‘walk in the light’ also presumed we can begin walking out of the light. How do you know when you are starting to step out of God’s light? What are some warning signs that a believer might be getting comfortable with spiritual darkness?
- 4) Describe the sense of spiritual health you feel when you confess sin to God? Explain how it is true that when we rationalize our sins, we are essentially calling God a liar?
- 5) What are some specific examples of spiritual fruit we could produce by consistently living the light of God’s truth and love?