



**Sunday, May 22, 2022**  
**Sermon Series: Walk in God's Light –**  
**Live in God's Love**

**Title: Learning the Love Lessons**  
**Text: 1 John 1:5-10**

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**Big Idea:** Understanding the Bible's really bad news about sin always points to the incredibly good news about God's loving salvation.

**God's love-lessons regarding sin:**

Love-Lesson #1: Sin is serious, so don't casualize it!

(1 John 2:1 / Romans 3:20, 7:18, 6:16 / 2 Corinthians 5:21 / 1 Peter 3:18)

Biblical explanations of the seriousness of sin:

- The forensic explanation means sin has spiritual consequences.
- The ethical explanation means we choose this sinful conduct.
- The dynamic explanation means sin creates slavery.

Love-Lesson #2: If you do sin, don't despair. (1 John 2:1b-2)

Love-Lesson #3: Knowing Christ helps us "want to" obey. (1 John 2:3-6)

As I confess my sin and live for Christ alone, my daily life will shout **LONG LIVE KING JESUS!**

Study and Discussion Questions: For 1 John 2:1-6

- 1) In what ways do we often try to diminish the seriousness of sin with humor? Examples?
- 2) Spiritual consequences to sin are even more serious than physical ones. How might we gently motivate one another in that truth without becoming legalistic?
- 3) Why is it absolutely necessary to understand the ugliness of sin in order to also understand the depth of God's loving plan of salvation?
- 4) Why was it necessary for God to address sin? Why couldn't God just "let it go"? Do your best to explain the meaning behind the odd word, "propitiation" in verse 2.
- 5) In what ways is it true that my willing, joyful obedience is evidence of my love for God?
- 6) For you personally, what is the best news about God's plan of forgiveness?