

# DECLARATIONS & INVITATIONS

1 JOHN 1:1-5 - ERIC SIMPSON - FEBRUARY 26, 2017

1 John 1:1-3

<sup>1</sup> That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. <sup>2</sup> The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. <sup>3</sup> We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our  
> fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.

## God is life

1 John 5:11-12

<sup>11</sup> And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup> He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

life = zoe (Greek) = absolute fullness of life, a kind of life that transcends the physical

> fellowship = *koinōnía* (Greek) = to partner with, to participate in

1 John 1:4-5

<sup>4</sup> We write this to make our joy complete. <sup>5</sup> This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

## God is light

John 1:4

In him was life, and that life was the light of men.

John 8:12 (Jesus speaking)

I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness,