




Women of the Word

1 John 1:1-10

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ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS OF CHAPTER ONE

1. The Audience

Believers are challenged to denounce the false teaching infiltrating their body

We—the apostles vv.1-4

We— vv.5-10 John includes himself in the audience. It **WILL INCLUDE** those making a false profession.

2. The main verb
We proclaim (v.3)

3. The objective

our joy may be complete (v.4)

our not *your* is the better reading

4. The doctrinal deviation and correction

- Understand the incompatibility between darkness and light (vv.5-7)**
- Understand the deception of perfectionism (vv.8-10)**

1 John 1:1 **WHAT** was from **the beginning**, **WHAT** we have **heard**, **WHAT** we have **seen** with our eyes, **WHAT** we have **looked at** and **touched** with our hands, concerning the **Word of Life**— 2 and the **life** was **manifested**, and we have **seen** and **testify and proclaim** to you **the eternal life**, which was with the Father and was **manifested** to us—3 **WHAT** we have **seen** and **heard** **WE PROCLAIM** to you also, so that you too may have **fellowship with us**; and indeed **our fellowship** is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. 4 These things we write, so that **our joy** may be made complete.

5. What does **WHAT** reference?

- ❑ Christ's life, works, and words
- ❑ *Seeing and touched* are important because they contradict the teaching that flesh is evil
- ❑ *Looked at* (beheld) "*has the idea of beholding an object intelligently, so as to grasp the meaning and significance*" James Rosscup

6. *From the beginning*

- ❑ *The message (2:7; 3:11; John 15:27; 16:11)*

7. Is it *Word of Life* or *word of life*?

8. What is Johannine fellowship?

1 John 1:5 This **is** the message **we have heard** from Him **and announce to you**, that **God is Light**, and in Him there is no **darkness** at all. 6 If we say that we have **fellowship with Him** and yet **walk** in the **darkness**, we lie and do not practice the truth; 7 but if we **walk** in the **Light** as He Himself is in the **Light**, we have **fellowship with one another**, and the blood of Jesus His Son **cleanses us** from all sin. 8 If we say that we have **no sin**, we are **deceiving ourselves** and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to **forgive us** our sins and to **cleanse us** from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we **make Him a liar** and His **word is not in us**.

9. The relevance of the message—*This is* (v.5)

☐ For today and from God

10. *God is light* is a statement of (v.5)

☐ Light is a statement of God's perfect purity

☐ He is also *Spirit* (4:24), *Love* (4:8, 16), *Faithful and Righteous* (v.9)

11. *Walking* in Johannine thought means (vv.6-7)

☐ Truth in John (v.8, 2:4, 21; 3:18, 19; 2 John 1, 4)

12. *Cleanses* (v.7) Perfect Active Indicative—constantly cleanses, ongoing application

13. Self-deception (v.8) Perfect Active Indicative—in
a state of constant deception

14. The assurance gained through biblical confession
(v.9)

15. The blasphemy of perfectionism (v.10) *make Him
a liar*