

Walking In The Light

Readings in
1 John



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1) **KNOW You Have Eternal Life [1 Jn 5:11-15]**

Remember, Jesus' walk included growing & learning:
Luke 2:52 *grew in favor* **Heb 5:7-9** *learned obedience*.
Our transformation into His image isn't immediate.

2) **The Foundation: God Is Light [1 Jn 1:5-7]**

Walking in light requires practicing the truth.

Thankfully, confession brings forgiveness [v8-10].

This assurance doesn't mean we should sin more [2:1-6].

3) **Walking In The Light=Walk Like Jesus Walked**

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4) Walking In The Light=Brotherly Love [2:7-11]

Jesus' example was sacrifice. Willing to hurt. **[3:16-19]**

The cause of '*stumbling*' is echoed in **[Rom 14:12-20]**.

John knew a disciple who'd lost this focus: **[3 Jn 5-11]**.

5) Walking In Light=Practicing Righteousness

[5:1-5] This is clear throughout the NT **[2 John 4-11]**. **Jn 14**

[1 Jn 3:10] Puts *love & righteousness* together.

We don't mean perfection is needed **[1 Jn 3:4-9]**.

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Which direction are we walking?

Toward The Light? Backwards in retreat?

Are we stagnant, lacking activity?

Several NT verses make similar points:

Hebrews 5:12-6:3 They should have matured.

Ephesians 4:12-16 Grow toward attaining maturity.

1 Cor 2:14-3:4 Paul is frustrated at their stagnancy.

Most clearly, **[2 Peter 1:8-11; 3:17-18]** Growing virtue!