

*Six Secrets of the Christian Life: Chapter 4: Living in the Light, 1 John 1:1-10*  
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I. INTRODUCTION

II. HOW DO WE WALK WITH GOD IN HIS LIGHT?

A. *What Does “Fellowship” mean?*

B. *How Can We, Sinful Beings, Ever Have Fellowship With God?*

C. *What Does it Mean to Walk **in** the Light?*

D. *In What Way Should the Truth Contained in 1 John 1:5-10 Affect Us?*

III. CONCLUSION

**Review:**

**Secret #1: The Christian life is a miracle of resurrection**

**Secret #2: The Christian life is a miracle of transformation**

**Secret #3: The Christian life is coming to be in experience what we already are in our innermost being.**

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1. If fellowship means sharing, what is being shared in this passage? Who is sharing it?

God's light, the essence of His being, which is embodied in the truth of His Word. He shares it with us for He is light, I John 1:5.

2. Where must we walk in order to have fellowship with God?

In His light (which is embodied in the truth of His Word), I John 1:5-7.

3. Is this passage about what we are in our innermost being or what happens in experience?

It's about experience. Although we always share God's eternal life from the moment we believe in His Son, when we sin, we share no common ground with God, I John 1:6.

4. What does the "light" refer to in this passage?

The essence of God's being (which is embodied in the truth of His Word), I John 1:5

5. Is it possible for a Christian to reach a point in his experience when he has no sin?

No, sin is native to us. We need cleansing from it even when walking with God, I John 1:7-8.

6. What makes it possible for us (being people who sin) to walk in the light and have fellowship with God?

The blood of Jesus Christ, which cleanses us while we walk in God's light, I John 1:7.

7. What does it mean to walk in the light?

A willingness to walk openly, allowing the light of His Word to reveal everything about us, I John 1:5-10.

8. Must we walk according to the light?

No, since that would require sinless perfection, something we are not, I John 1:8, 10.

9. Can any Christian walk in the light?

Yes, the only prerequisite is that he/she is willing to walk openly in the light of God's Word.

10. We have seen in previous lessons that the word of God reveals the glory of God and the face of our spiritual birth. What does this passage indicate that the word reveals?

It reveals the constant presence of sin in our lives, I John 1:7-8, 10.

**Secret #4: The Christian life is lived with our hearts open to God's truth.**