

1 JOHN

First John begins a series of three epistles written by this apostle, in conjunction with a _____ letter he also penned that bore his name. John was the brother of _____ and the son of Zebedee. Jesus gave the brothers the name “_____ of thunder” (Mark 3:17) based on an event where he had to correct their thinking. By the time John pens this letter, he’s the last _____ apostle. John’s emphasis is on fellowship. As he states in the letter, false teachers had arisen and left the genuine believers, taking their _____ with them. This had shaken the churches that received these letters and John was seeking to explain the details behind it, hence settling their troubled hearts.

Chapter 1

John begins the letter with his experiential _____ with the Lord (v1-4). The experiences he and the other apostles had with Jesus, form the basis of truth that they would _____ around (v5-8). After establishing that the basis of our fellowship is walking in light, he tells us what to do when we have _____ in that regard (9-10). This was important because false teachers had taught that a believer sinning had no _____ on their spiritual life, John corrects the error.

Chapter 2

After telling them what to do when they sin, John let's them know what Jesus is doing _____ when sin enters their lives (v1-2).

With the subject of sin fresh in their minds, John moves into the evidence of a _____ with Jesus in conjunction with sin, which is a life the moves into _____ (v3-6). After expressing the importance of keeping the Lords commandments, John gives them one of the _____ ones to keep, which is _____ other believers (v7-14). After dealing with the idea of sin and keeping the commandment of loving others. John presents them with what will _____ their success in that command and that's a _____ for the world (v15-17). John now lays out a warning about the antichrist spirit of the age and _____ to avoid falling _____ to it (v18-27).

Chapter 3

John reminds believers of their _____ in Christ and of their future transformation (v1-2). John transitions to what our _____ should be to such a position and promise (v3-6). In (v7-10) John makes a strong statement about sin _____ a persons life. John circles back to the basic _____ and commandment for the family of God, loving the brethren (v11-24).

Chapter 4

The Christian faith must have checks and balances because of _____ teachers (v1-6) and expands one again on the importance of _____ (v7-21).

Chapter 5

John shares a secret on _____ the world that we live in (v1-5). In (v6-12) he discusses how the witness of who Christ is both in heaven and earth is lived out in the believers _____. John ends his letter by touching several things: the reason to have the assurance of salvation which is _____ (v13-15) and the possible danger of _____ in the life of a Christian (v16-21).