

# What Does The Bible Say?

Read 1 John 1:5-10; 2:1-11.  
Connect each verse with its meaning.

1. "This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all."

(1 John 1:5)

A person can not have fellowship with God while living in sin. If someone says they can, they are lying.

2. "If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth."

(1 John 1:6)

Light and darkness are spiritual terms to represent righteousness and sin. God is pure and holy. In him there is no sin.

3. "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin."

(1 John 1:7)

Sin is contrary to the nature of God. Christians should not sin. But if a Christian does sin, Jesus Christ will speak to the Father for that person.

4. "My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One."

(1 John 2:1)

Everyone who claims to be a Christian, but hates another person, is living in sin.

5. "But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did."

(1 John 2:5-6)

If a person decides to stop sinning, they are forgiven through Jesus' sacrifice. Then, that person can have a good relationship with God and with other Christians.

6. "Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates a brother or sister is still in the darkness."

(1 John 2:9)

We can be sure of our relationship with God if we obey his commandments and live as Jesus taught us.