WALK IN THE LIGHT

1 John 1:5–2:2

Key Verse: 1:7

1. Whose message does the author declare? (5a) What is the message? (5b) What did he mean by “light” and “darkness”? How and why does this truth about God impact our fellowship both with him and with one another? (6,7; see also Jn3:19,20)
2. What kind of people was the author describing who “claim to have fellowship” with God yet “walk in the darkness”? (6; 1:8,10; 2:9–11) What did he mean to “live out the truth”? (2:4; 4:20)
3. Read verse 7. What does it mean to “walk in the light, as he is in the light”? (Jn3:21; 8:12; Eph5:8–14) What two things did the author say happen when we do? (7b) Why is fellowship possible only in God’s light? Why is the blood of Jesus essential? Of what does the author warn us? (8,10) What is the only way to be forgiven and purified? (9)
4. What reason did the author give for writing these things? (2:1a) What confidence did he have for those who do sin? (2:1b,2) What does it mean that Jesus is our advocate with the Father? (Ro8:34; 1Ti2:5) That he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins? (4:10; Ro3:25) How does this encourage us to walk in the light?