



## Practice the Truth (1 John 1:1-10)

### What was Heard, Seen, and Touched

“That which was **from the beginning**, which we have **heard**, which we have **seen** with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our **hands have handled**, concerning **the Word of life**— the life was manifested, and we have **seen, and bear witness, and declare to you** that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, **that you also may have fellowship with us**; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.” 1 John 1:1-4 NKJV

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☑ **Who is the Word of Life?**

☑ **The Word was God!**

☑ “In the beginning was **the Word**, and **the Word was with God**, and **the Word was God**. He was in the beginning with God. **All things were made through Him**, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and **the life was the light of men**. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.” John 1:1-5 NKJV

☑ **God’s Word: He spoke creation!**

☑ “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. **Then God said**, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good; and God **divided the light from the darkness**. God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.” Genesis 1:1-5 NKJV

☑ **Who spoke? “They spoke!”**

☑ “Then God said, “**Let Us** make man in **Our image**, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing

that creeps on the earth.” **So God created** man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”” Genesis 1:26-28 NKJV

☑ **In Him was life!**

- ☑ “And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, **and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life;** and man became a living being.” Genesis 2:7 NKJV

☑ **Heard, Seen and Touched**

- ☑ John and the other disciples had a real experience as they walked with Y’shua. All of their senses came alive with the reality that He was who He said he was. They heard His words, they watched as he touched the masses and healed the sick, fed thousands, and turned the religious world upside down. Many of them were touched by Him directly and minimally they watched as He placed his hands on thousands of people and imparted life and light into them!

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☑ **Bear Witness**

☑ **That which we have seen and heard we declare to you...**

☑ **Paul Telling his story~witness to all men of what you have seen and heard**

☑ *““Then a certain Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good testimony with all the Jews who dwelt there, came to me; and he stood and said to me, ‘Brother Saul, **receive your sight.**’ And at that same hour I looked up at him. Then he said, ‘The God of our fathers has chosen you that you should know His will, and **see** the Just One, and **hear** the voice of His mouth. For you will be His **witness to all men of what you have seen and heard.**” Acts 22:12-15 NKJV*

☑ **Fellowship**

☑ **With the Father and Son...If you have seen me you have seen the father!**

☑ ““If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him.” Philip said to Him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? **He who has seen Me has seen the Father;** so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.” John 14:7-11 NKJV

☑ *“And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.” I John 1:4 NKJV*

☑ **That your joy may be full...**

☑ ““As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love. “These things I have spoken to you, **that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full.** This is My commandment, that

you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends." John 15:9-13 NKJV

## **Fellowship with Him and One Another**

**"This is the message** which we have heard from Him and declare to you, **that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.** If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and **walk in darkness, we lie** and do not **practice the truth.** **But if we walk in the light** as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us."** I John 1:5-10 NKJV

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### ☑ **Heard and Declared—light out of darkness**

☑ "Therefore, **since we have this ministry,** as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart. But we have

renounced the hidden things of shame, **not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully**, but by **manifestation of the truth** commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, **lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.** For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake. **For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**" II Corinthians 4:1-6 NKJV

**God is Light—no darkness**

**A woman accused**

- "But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. Now early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him; and He sat down and taught them. Then the scribes and **Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery.** And when they had set her in the midst, they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act. Now Moses, in

the law, commanded us that such should be stoned. But what do You say?" This they said, testing Him, that they might have something of which to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down and wrote on the ground with His finger, as though He did not hear. So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, "He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first." And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. Then those who heard it, being convicted by their conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest even to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. When Jesus had raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, "**Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you?**" John 8:1-10 NKJV

**You are not condemned...I'm the light...no more darkens for you!**

"She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said to her, "**Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more.**" Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "**I am the light** of the world. **He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.**" John 8:11-12 NKJV



☑ *“If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and **walk in darkness**, we lie and do not **practice the truth**.” 1 John 1:6 NKJV*

☑ **If we says we are in Him, we cannot walk in darkness**

☑ **Works of the Flesh**

☑ “Now **the works of the flesh are evident**, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things **will not inherit the kingdom of God.**” Galatians 5:19-21 NKJV

☑ **Walk in love NOT darkness**

☑ “Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. And **walk in love**, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma. But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. For this you know, that no

fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, **has any inheritance in the kingdom** of Christ and God. **Let no one deceive you with empty words**, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the **sons of disobedience**. Therefore do not be partakers with them. For **you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light** (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. **And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them.** For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. **But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light**, for whatever makes manifest is light.” Ephesians 5:1-13 NKJV

**Cast off the works of darkness**

- “And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. **Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.** Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and

envy. **But put on the Lord Jesus Christ**, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.” Romans 13:11-14 NKJV

☑ **Practice the Truth**

☑ The way the truth and the life...

☑ **The Truth**

☑ “Jesus said to him, **“I am the way, the truth, and the life.** No one comes to the Father except through Me.” John 14:6 NKJV

☑ **Practice Righteousness**

☑ “Little children, let no one deceive you. **He who practices righteousness is righteous**, just as He is righteous. **He who sins is of the devil**, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.” I John 3:7-8 NKJV

☑ *“But if **we walk in the light as He is in the light**, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.” I John 1:7 NKJV*

☑ **Walk in Light—He is the Light**

☑ **I am the light...**

☑ “Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, **“I am the light of the world.** He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.”” John 8:12 NKJV

☑ **You are the light...**

☑ ““You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. **“You are the light of the world.** A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. **Let your light so shine before men,** that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:13-16 NKJV

☑ **Fellowship**

☑ What fellowship has light with darkness?

☑ “Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. **For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?** And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: “I

will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people.”” II Corinthians 6:14-16 NKJV

☑ **The Blood of Christ Cleanses us from all sin!**

☑ **His Blood**

☑ “But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, **but with His own blood** He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, **how much more shall the blood of Christ**, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.” Hebrews 9:11-15 NKJV

☑ **Without shedding of blood there is no remission.**

☑ “For where there is a testament, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. For a testament is in force after men are dead, since it has no power at all while the testator lives. **Therefore not even the first covenant was dedicated without blood.** For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water, scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, saying, **“This is the blood of the covenant** which God has commanded you.” Then likewise he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry. **And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission. Therefore it was necessary that the copies of the things in the heavens should be purified with these,** but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.” Hebrews 9:16-23  
NKJV

☑ “If we say that ***we have no sin***, we ***deceive ourselves***, and ***the truth is not in us.***” 1 John 1:8 NKJV

☑ **We have no sin...**

**All have sinned...**

- “But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference; **for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,**” Romans 3:21-23 NKJV

**Self-deception**

- I have not sinned!

**The truth is not in us**

- Truth = Messiah  
 No truth = No Messiah

- “If we **confess our sins**, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” I John 1:9  
NKJV*

**Confession**

**Confess your trespasses to one another...**

- “Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick,

and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. **Confess your trespasses to one another**, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.” James 5:13-16 NKJV

☑ **Forgive sins; the cleansing of unrighteousness—a perfect case study!**

☑ **Not just a sinner, a repentant sinner!**

☑ “Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee’s house, and sat down to eat. And behold, **a woman in the city who was a sinner**, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee’s house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and **she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil.** Now when **the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke** to himself, saying, “This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is **who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.**”” Luke 7:36-39 NKJV

☑ **An object lesson—notice how Y’shua does not address the Pharisee!**



☑ **“And Jesus answered and said to him, “Simon, I have something to say to you.” So he said, “Teacher, say it.”**  
“There was a certain creditor who had two debtors.  
**One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty.**  
And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. **Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?”** Simon answered and said, **“I suppose the one whom he forgave more.”** And He said to him, **“You have rightly judged.”**” Luke 7:40-43 NKJV

☑ **Do you see this woman? She LOVES MUCH!**

☑ “Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, **“Do you see this woman?** I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. You did not anoint My head with oil, **but this woman** has anointed My feet with fragrant oil.” Luke 7:44-46 NKJV

☑ **Your sins are forgiven!**

☑ “Therefore I say to you, **her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much.** But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.” Then He said to her,

**“Your sins are forgiven.”** And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, **“Who is this who even forgives sins?”** Then He said to the woman,” Luke 7:47-50 NKJV

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- ☑ **We have not sinned...He’s a liar**
- ☑ **AGAIN—All have sinned...**
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- ☑ **When the he Word is not in us...**
  - ☑ **He is the Word...**
    - ☑ “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and **the Word was God.**” John 1:1 NKJV
  - ☑ **No one comes to the Father except through Me...**
    - ☑ “Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. **No one comes to the Father except through Me.**” John 14:6 NKJV

- ☑ **Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father**
- ☑ “Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son. **Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father** either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.” I John 2:22-23 NKJV

### **NEXT WEEK**

Walk Just as He Walked (I John 2:1-14)