

DIGGING DEEPER



Walking in Truth

1. What did you learn from our study of 1 John 3:4-9 that you did not already know? What one change do you purpose to make in your life as a result of this study?
2. What is sin according to verse 4? Explain. What function does the Law have in the life of the unbeliever (Rom. 7:5-12)? ...for the one who has believed on the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom. 8:1-11)?
3. What are four reasons persistent, habitual sin is incompatible with a true Christian (5-9)?
4. If a professing Christian persists in sin what two things does John state about them (6)? Based on your answer can a genuine Christian lose their salvation? Why or why not?
5. Why aren't believers able to live a lifestyle of sin (7)? Has that been true in your experience? Explain.
6. Are people either children of God or children of the devil, or is there a third option? What does it mean to do righteousness (8,9)?

For Long-Handled Shovels

- What is the true believer's relationship with Jesus Christ? Will Christians be able to sin in heaven? Why or why not?
- If Jesus was "tempted at all points" (Heb. 4:15), yet without sin, then could Christ sin? Why or why not?

"Persistent Sin"



1 John 3:4-9

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⁴ Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. ⁵ And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. ⁶ Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him. ⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. ⁸ 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. ⁹ Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

Reasons Habitual Sin is Incompatible for a Christian

1. The Nature of Sin (4)

A. Described:

B. Defined:

2. The Person & Work of Christ (5-7)

A. His Person:

B. His Work:

➤ *IF we persist in sin...*

(1)

(2)

➤ *IF we produce righteousness...*

(1)

(2)

3. The Person & Work of Satan (8)

A. His Person:

B. His Work:

4. The Power of the Word of God (9)

A.

B.