

## NEW TESTAMENT WRITERS

# JOHN

**Pray:** ask God to open your mind, soul and spirit to His teaching through His Word

**Think:** the questions are designed to expand your knowledge of God and His Word

**Begin:** using only your Bible, answer the questions\* without other outside sources

*\*questions are based on New International Version (NIV)*

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### **Lesson 22 • 1 John 2:1–27**

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1. What truth, verse or insight from last week's study of **1 John 1** has been helpful to you?
2. What is the purpose of this writing according to **V1**, and what assurance do we have if we do sin according to **V2**?
3. Define the word “righteous” using a dictionary.  
  
– Why is Jesus called the Righteous One?
4. Why does this scripture emphasize that Jesus is the atoning sacrifice “not only for our sins, but also for the sins of the whole world”?
5. How do you “know that you have come to know” Jesus according to **V3–6**?  
  
– What is made complete through obedience to His word?
6. In **V7**, what is the old command, the message that was heard from the beginning? (See 1 John 3:11 and 2 John 5–6.)
7. What is the new command in **V8**? (See John 13:34.) Elaborate on the differences.

8. In **V9–11**, what is “the light”? What is “the darkness”? For additional insight, read John 12:35–36, 44–46.

– Can a person live in the light and dark simultaneously? Explain your answer with Scripture.

9. What do you think the children, fathers and young men represent in **V12–14** and why?

10. Why are you warned against loving the world or anything in the world according **V15–17**? (See James 4:4)

– In what ways do you wrestle with loving the world or things in the world?

11. What does scripture say to desire in contrast to the things of the world?

Isaiah 26:8 \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 6:19–21 \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 6:31–33 \_\_\_\_\_

1 John 2:17 \_\_\_\_\_

Other scripture: \_\_\_\_\_

12. What does "antichrist" mean, and how do you recognize antichrists according to **V19** and **22**; 1 John 4:3 and 2 John 1:7?
  
13. What are the benefits and blessings of the Holy One's anointing of you described in **V20-21** and **27**, and how have you experienced these?
  
14. What must you do to ensure that "what you have heard from the beginning remains in you" (**V24**)?
  
15. From 1 John 2 begin to formulate a prayer request to share with your group this week  
For ideas: **V8** How your life reflects obedience to His new command to love one another.  
**V15-17** How you might struggle with loving the things of this world.

