

FAST FACTS: 1ST JOHN

1. JOHN, ONE OF THE APOSTLES, BROTHER OF JAMES, SONS OF ZEEDEE, MEMBER OF THE INNER CIRCLE. HE WROTE THE GOSPEL OF JOHN, 1ST, 2ND AND THIRD JOHN PLUS THE REVELATION

2. THIS LETTER IS ADDRESSED TO BELIEVERS TO ENCOURAGE THEM IN THEIR FAITH AND TO CORRECT THE FALSE TEACHINGS OF THE "GNOSTICS" WHO DENIED THE INCARNATION, THAT JESUS WAS HERE IN THE FLESH.

3. JOHN DECLARES IN THE PROLOGUE THAT HE HAS PERSONALLY SEEN, AND HIS HANDS HAVE TOUCHED THE WORD OF LIFE. THE WORD LIFE A TITLE FOR JESUS TEACHING THAT JESUS IS COEQUAL AND COETERNAL WITH THE FATHER AND THE HOLY SPIRIT. JOHN SAYS IN VERSE FOUR TO BELIEVERS HE WRITES SO THAT "OUR JOY MAY BE FULL".

4. NOW IN VERSE FIVE JOHN DECLARES THAT GOD IS LIGHT. JESUS REFERED TO HIMSELF AS LIGHT IN JOHN 9:5; 12:35,36, 46, JOHN 8:12, OF THE GREAT " I AM" STATEMENTS.. JESUS SAYS " I AM, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD" .. THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS WILL NEVER WALK IN DARKNESS BUT WILL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE".

5. IN VERSE SIX: SINCE GOD IS LIGHT AND THERE IS NO DARKNESS IN HIM. WE CANNOT CLAIM TO BE IN FULL FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD AND WALK IN SIN AT THE SAME TIME. ANYONE WHO MAKES THIS CLAIM IS LYING AND NOT LIVING ACCORDING TO THE TRUTH.

6. VERSE SEVEN: WHEN WE WALK IN HIS LIGHT TWO THINGS HAPPEN: ONE, WE HAVE FELLOWSHIP WITH EACH OTHER AND WITH GOD THE FATHER: TWO, WHEN WE ARE IN THE LIGHT, THE BLOOD THAT JESUS SHED ON THE CROSS PURIFIES US FROM ALL SIN! ALL SIN MEANS EVERYKIND OF SIN, NO LIMIT TO CATEGORIES OF SIN THAT JESUS WILL FORGIVE. AMEN!

7. WE ALL SIN. WE ALL HAVE FORGIVNESS THROUGH JESUS AND HE WILL REMEMBER THEM AGAINST NO MORE. WHEN WE CONFESS OUR SINS HE FORGIVES US.. YES WE WILL SIN AFTER BEING SAVED... BUT WE ARE UNDER THE BLOOD THAT ERASES ALL SIN. JESUS TOOK OUR SINS TO THE CROSS.