

I John 2:1-2

Week 7

Concluding chapter 1

1. Review the first chapter of 1 John.
 - What did verses 1-3 emphasize?
 - Why did he write these things to the churches?
 - What is true fellowship?
 - How did the chapter differentiate the walks of the believer and the non-believer?
 - What does the chapter say about sin (confession, if we say...)
 - What does the blood of Christ cleanse us from?
2. Read the "Going Deeper" section of the study guide, answer the questions, and read "Truth for Today."

Verse 1

- A. **My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin.**
 - Why does he call them "My little children?"
 - What is the purpose of this "fatherly" declaration? (see MacArthur's comments)
- B. **And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.**
 - What is John acknowledging here?
 - What two things does this verse tell us about Christ and His work?
 - What is the function of an advocate (Greek: parakletos)?

Verse 2

- A. **And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins,**
 - What does the word propitiation mean?
- B. **And not for ours only but also for the whole world.**
 - Does this mean that the whole world will be saved? (see MacArthur's comments at the beginning of the next lesson [Keys to the Text])
 - If it doesn't, what does it mean?
 - What does the L in T.U.L.I.P stand for?

Application

1. Are we really called not to sin?!
2. If we do sin, how are we forgiven?
3. Why do we do mission work if God already has atoned for His elect?

Next week

1. Answer the "Drawing Near" questions and read "The Context."
2. Read 1 John 2