



SHALOM OF OAKLAND



Real Life Discipleship in East Oakland



Introducing Shalom of Oakland's Basketball Team... the Oakland Lions



1 John

4 week study in 1 John

John

The disciple whom Jesus
loved

1 John

Background and context:

A group of people have changed their beliefs and left the community of Jesus followers

1 John introduction

We are writing these things so
that your joy may be
complete

1 John - It is all connected

Circular writing style with repeated themes

Themes:

*Light vs. Darkness, Confession, God's love,
Sin, Hate, Loving God, Love for one
another, Obeying commandments,
Abiding in Him, Identity as children of God*

1 John 1:1-4

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life — this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us - we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ***We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.***

1 John 1:5-10

⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷ but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

LIGHT



DARKNESS



1 John 1:8-10

⁸ If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ **If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** ¹⁰ If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

1 John 2:1-6

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ² and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.³ Now by this we may be sure that we know him, if we obey his commandments.

1 John 2:1-6

⁴ Whoever says, "I have come to know him," but does not obey his commandments, is a liar, and in such a person the truth does not exist; ⁵ but whoever obeys his word, truly in this person the love of God has reached perfection. By this we may be sure that we are in him: ⁶ whoever says, "I abide in him," ought to walk just as he walked.

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WE HAVE AN ADVOCATE!!

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When we are sinning instead of obeying...

When we are not walking in the way of Jesus...

WE HAVE OPTIONS

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We are loved as dear children

Closing Prayer

God you are light

Father thank you for your love

God you are love

Father thank you for your love

We confess that we fail

Father thank you for your love

We confess that we have sinned

Father thank you for your love

Closing Prayer

We ask for courage to confess

Father thank you for your love

We ask to understand your love

Father thank you for your love

Please help us to abide in You

Father thank you for your love

Hold us while we try to walk

Father thank you for your love
