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# Walking In The Light

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*John #2* 1133.

WALKING IN THE LIGHT

1.

INT. \*John 17:3. Life's major goal! Diff. in knowing ABOUT God and KNOWING God. Believe the diff. is a NEED for God and EXPREIENCE WITH GOD!

Ill. MARK MONGILLO: Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Skydiver. God was a Habit, not a Father-Helper. Fell 3,600 ft. to earth. Both cutes fouled. Said, "Oh, God help me." Not save me. Forgive!! Lived! Hit in irrigation ditch! Badly bruised. Said, "I thank God, not for just saving my life but for bringing my FAITH to life. It has made my life worth living! (Guideposts. Aug. 1978.P9)

Ill. GEORGE FOSTER, Cincinnati Reds. MVP, 1977. Rel. background. Left it for baseball. Larry McWilliams carried his with him! George said: "...there was no focus, no purpose to my life. I was confused--and frightened, 1971 when traded from Giants to Reds. Went home to Calif. Talked to momma. She said: "You've got all the talent and ability that God gave you, right inside you. Don't you know that when you believe in YOURSELF, you're believing in God?" Suggested: Meditation. Prayer. Bible reading.

He said, "I began the process of recommitting myself to God--of surrendering every area of my life to His guidance." A winner!!! Later, said, "I want to help instill in others the desire to find God's purpose for their lives and to believe in their abilities and talents (P.13.) as I have been able to do." Guideposts.Sept.78.

CONC: God is good as a Habit, but much, much better as a Father and Helper in lives.

- 2. Purpose of I John. Get acquainted with God.
- a. 1:1-4. Knowledge of God brings fullness of Joy.
- b. 5-7. HOW to obtain this joy! :

I BY WALKING IN THE LIGHT. (But, what IS light?)

A. Find out what God is like, and learn what Light is like. GOD IS LIGHT !!!

- a. God is Great. Job. 36:26. Light:Greatness
- b. God is Strength. Ps. 73:26. " :Strength
- c. God is Holy. Isa. 5:16. Light:Holiness
- d. God is Love. I J. 4:8. Light: Love.

ILL. RIGHT DIRECTION!!

COMPOSIT DEF: (God) Light, represents all that  
(\*Ps. 27:4.) is High, Holy, True, Good, Beautiful.

B. NO DARKNESS IN GOD. (What is Darkness?)

1. Find out what Darkness IS and we will find out what God is not!

- a. Paul defines LIGHT. \* Eph. 5:8-11.
  - b. Paul defines DARKNESS. \* Eph. 5:1-7.
- EVIL: thoughts, words, works, habits, plans, desires, and designs.

CONCLUSION: God has NEVER:

- Thought an evil thought. Isa. 55:8-9.
- Spoken an evil word. Matt. 12:37.
- Done an evil deed. Jas. 1:17.

Question: Possible to comprehend such?????????

Yes! I Pet. 1:16. Bro. Batsell Barrett  
Baxter, Sr. J. N. Armstrong. J. L. Neal.  
Clara Sawyer, et al.

C. WE HAVE FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD. (What is Fellowship?)

1. Gr. Partnership. Joint-participation. Communion.

*action!* 2. Ill. Acts 2:42. Do I HAVE to go to church????

DO! if have a joint-participation with God! *in*

STUDYING. SINGING. GIVING. SHARING.

PRAYING.. COMMUNING.

THIS is a part of walking in the Light!!!

3. Fellowship with GOD is valid ONLY when we have fellowship with EACH OTHER! \* I John 2:9, 11.

V.7. Note: Composes a Divine Triangle: You-God-Me..

INV: BLOOD OF JESUS CLEANSSES US FROM ALL SIN. V.7. How?

1. Begins at New Birth. John 3:3-5. II Cor. 5:17.  
Acts 22:16. NOT cleansed till baptized.....

2. Christ continues cleansing daily! Those in the Light! Vs. 9, ch. 1.

YOU.....need to confess sins today? MUST,  
if have not been walking in the light.