

Authentic Christianity; an Exposition of 1 John

KNOWN BY OUR FRUIT

1 John 3:4-10 Pew Bible p. 1208

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My children, we should love people not only with words and talk, but by our actions and true caring. 1 John 3:18 NCV

The Lawless Ones 1 John 3:4

How many people sin? Rom. 3:23, 1 John 1:8

Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is _____. 1 John 3:4 NKJV

What does John mean by “lawlessness?”

“Lawlessness” in the Greek Old Testament is used to refer to particularly despicable sins, like... Gen. 19:15, Lev. 19:29, 1 Chron. 9:1

Jesus indicated that at the end times, “lawlessness” would consign people to _____. Matt.13:41-42

All sins, no matter what _____, are sufficiently incriminating to condemn a person to hell. Matt. 5:21-22

II. The Sinless One 1 John 3:5

Christ appeared to “take away our sins.” How did He do that?

Although Christ has provided forgiveness of sins for all, not all have _____ the forgiveness He provided.

Have you received the forgiveness for sin and salvation that Jesus provided?

III. Destroyer of the Devil's Work 1 John 3:6-10

John divides people into two camps or categories.

Those who are _____ Those who are _____

How does John describe the behavior of persons who are saved?
Who are lost?

How can you tell the difference between a person who is truly saved and who is not? 1 John 3:10

Are we saved by our works?

John says Christians don't sin. Does that mean if I sin, I'm not a Christian?

Why does John present his point forcibly, in black and white terms?

Is it OK for Christians to sin?

Conclusion

Truth to Take With You: *Your behavior reveals whose child you are, God's or the devil's.*

Challenge: *Act like the child of God you claim to be. Repent of sin. Do right.*

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