



Who are you? Look to the Light

1 John 1:1-2:2

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1:1 The Logos is the source; everything commences in him. The initial reports concerning him that have reached our ears, and which we indeed bore witness to with our own eyes - to the point that we became irresistibly attracted - now captivates our gaze. In him we witnessed tangible life in its most articulate form.



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:2 The same life that was face to face with the Father from the beginning, has now dawned on us! The infinite life of the Father became visible before our eyes in a human person!

:3 We include you in this conversation; you are the immediate audience of the logic of God! This is the Word that always was; we saw him incarnate and witnessed his language as defining our lives. In the incarnation Jesus includes mankind in the eternal friendship of the Father and the Son! This life now finds expression in an unreserved union.



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:4 I am writing this to complete your joy and include you in my delight!

:5 My conversation with you flows from the same source which illuminates this fellowship of union with the Father and the Son. This then, is the essence of the message: God is radiant light, and in him there exists not even a trace of obscurity or darkness at all.



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:6 This is the real deal! To live a life of pretense is such a waste of time! The truth has no competition. Truth inspires the poetry of friendship in total contrast to a fake, performance-based relationship! Light is not threatened by darkness! Why say something with darkness as your reference? :7 We are invited to explore the dimensions of the same light that engulfs God; when we see the light in his light, fellowship ignites! In this light, we understand how the blood of Jesus Christ is the removal of every distortion and stain of sin!



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:8 To claim innocence by our own efforts under the law of personal performance, is to deceive ourselves and to deliberately ignore the truth. The truth about us, does not mean that we now have to go into denial as if we haven't done anything wrong!



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:9 Our conversation takes on a brand new dynamic when we take sides with what God believes about us! So, instead of telling God about the detail of your sin, you remind yourself about the detail of your redemption. God doesn't need the information, you do! God's faithfulness and righteousness is the basis of our forgiveness and cleansing from every distortion. Jesus removed every bit of condemning evidence against us!



1 John 1

:10 If we judge ourselves innocent by the law of our own works, then we make Jesus Christ, and what his word and blood communicate within us, irrelevant.



1 John 2

:1 My darling little children, the reason I write these things to you is so that you will not believe a lie about yourselves! If anyone does believe a distorted image to be their reality, we have Jesus Christ who defines our likeness face to face with the Father! He is our parakletos, the one who endorses our true identity, being both the source and the reflection of the Father's image in us!



1 John 2

:2 Jesus is our at-one-ment, he has conciliated us to himself and has taken our sins and distortions out of the equation. What he has accomplished is not to be seen as something that belongs to us exclusively; the same at-one-ment includes the entire cosmos!





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