***In Times Like These - James, Peter, John, Jude***

**Lesson 16**

**Does Your Walk Match Your Talk?**

Read I John

 Memory Work: I John 1:9.

 1. If you have time, read I John all the way through. Jot down some things that strike you.

2.a. “That which was from the beginning”. . .what beginning? Genesis 1:1 or John 1:1; John 8:58 or also

see Ephesians 1:4.

 b. So this means. . .?

 3.a. From I John 1:1-3, what does John proclaim about himself and the other apostles?

 b. Why is this critical?

 c. From these three verses, what does John tell us about Christ?

 d. From verses 3 and 4, why did John write this letter?

Evaluate Where have you tried to find satisfaction and joy?

 e. True or False. A Christian can have no real joy except in a proper relationship with God.

 See Psalm 16:11; Psalm 51:12; John 15:11.

 4.a. John says that Jesus is eternal life and gives eternal life; how is this fact different from reincarnation,

 or Karma, or fifty virgins in heaven, or when you die you’re dead, or whatever else you’ve heard?

 b. Compare I John 1:2 with John 17:3. Does this mean that when you receive Jesus as Savior, you

 receive \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_?

 c. How long will that life be. . .what is the alternative? Luke 12:5. Whom are we to fear, alone?

 5.a. What does it mean that “God is light?” Also see John 9:5.

b. What does it mean to walk in darkness. . .how are you walking today?

 c. How serious is it if we say that we are right with God and yet walk in darkness? I John 1:6.

 d. What are we to do with the flesh that keeps sinning? Romans 6:5-14.

 6.a. Three times John says “If we say.” What is he addressing?

 Verse 6

 Verse 8

 Verse 10

 b. From verse 7, to you personally, what does it mean to “walk in the light” and what or how would

 you tell this to someone else?

 c. From this same verse, what do we desperately need?

 d. If I walk in the light, what does this show me in my life. . .what do most people prefer? John 3:19-21

 e. Then what do I need to do, according to I John 1:9?

 7.a If someone denies they have sinned, perhaps “just a few mistakes,” what does this tell you?

 b. What would you carefully tell such a person?

 8.a. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar and His Word is not in us.” Verse 10.

 b. How serious is it to call God a liar?

 9.a How does Jesus’ blood cleanse us from all sin? I John 2:2; Hebrews 9:1-14; 10:1-18; Lev. 16:1-22.

 b. What is the difference between the Old Testament sacrifice and the New Testament sacrifice?

10. This means no one can go into God’s presence without \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.