

We began a new series, **Resurrection Living**, turning from the Gospel of John to his letters (1, 2, and 3 John) to explore what life in the risen Jesus looks like. This week, we started with John's powerful theme of light, seeing that *God is light and in Him there is no darkness at all*. Walking in the light means living honestly before God and with one another, where we are fully known, forgiven, and invited into true fellowship. Before you begin, pause together and invite the Holy Spirit to guide your conversation.

**OPTIONAL ICEBREAKER:** Share about a time you experienced total darkness (power outage, camping, etc.)?

**READ THE PASSAGE TOGETHER:** 1 John 1:1-2:2

### DISCUSSION GUIDE

*Don't feel pressure to get through every question! Follow where the Spirit leads and spend your time on the questions that spark meaningful discussion.*

1. What from the passage stands out to you?
2. Why is it important that Jesus is not just a message, but a person (the "Word of life")? How does this challenge the idea of separating Jesus' teachings from his life? (vs 1:1-4)
3. What does "God is light" reveal about Him? (vs 1:5-7)
4. Why is denying sin so dangerous? How is confession (1:9) different from just feeling guilty? Why do you think confession leads to freedom instead of shame? (vs 1:8-10)
5. What does it mean that Jesus is your advocate? What does it mean that He is the *atoning sacrifice*? (vs 2:1-2)

### CONSIDER AND PERSONALLY REFLECT ON THESE QUESTIONS:

- What does "walking in the light" look like for you this week?
- Is there anything you need to bring into the light?
- How can we grow in real fellowship as a group?

**GROUP PRAYER TIME:** Share requests and pray for one another. Pray for one another, thanking Jesus as both our advocate and our atoning sacrifice.

### MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE

**Fair Oaks Church Sermon Podcast** (Apple Podcasts & Spotify) to listen to just the message. Check out **Cutting Room Floor** episodes that further unpack sermons and stories of transformation.

### UPCOMING EVENTS [Learn more at fairoaks.church/events](https://fairoaks.church/events)

- **4/18: Men's Breakfast** | 8a-10a | Family Life Center | RSVP online
- **4/24: Young Adult Bonfire Night** | 7p | Robertson Home
- **4/25: Missions Dinner & Auction Fundraiser** | Tickets available online (in person starting 4/12) | Now collecting NEW items & gifts cards until 4/10
- **5/7: WFO Women's Brunch** | 9:30-11:30a | Speaker: Rachele from City of Refuge
- **6/15-6/19: Summer Blast Kids Camp** | 9a-12p | Registration is open for campers and volunteers at [fairoaks.church/kids](https://fairoaks.church/kids)

