

# **Talking and Walking:**

**Words are not enough...**  
**1 John 1:5-8**

## **Intro**

To whom is John writing?

Why?

How does John begin this letter?

“Witness” defined?

## **SAYING what you SEE...**

### **Focal Passage      1 John 1:5-8**

#### **I. The Apostolic Message -      “GOD is LIGHT...”**

What does this mean?

Contrast between “light” and “Darkness”

a. Light - associated with Revelation...

b. Light - associated with Righteousness...

c. Light - associated with Right Living...

### **Why does John make this claim?**

## **1. To Refute False Teaching... “If we say...”**

### **a. Darkness - SIN has no impact on our fellowship with GOD... (v.6)**

- Gnosticism defined?
- Does SIN impact our fellowship with God?      How?
- Consistency in our “Confession” and our “Conduct”

### **b. Denial - SIN does not exist in our nature... (v.8)**

- Denial leads to SELF Deception...
- “*gnosis*” – knowledge eradicates SIN...

## **2. To inspire Right Living...**

### **a. “Walking in the LIGHT...” (v.7)**

What does it mean to WALK in the Light?

- **Fellowship with each other...**
- **Continual “Cleansing” from SIN...**