

Net Mending Week 3

1 John 1:10-2:2

If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives.

¹My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. ²He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

I. The Ruin of Rationalization

- Rationalization is our default _____.
- Rationalization is an _____ of _____.
- Rationalization is to clothe _____ so that it looks _____.
- Rationalization ends when we realize we don't have to _____ ourselves.
- Christ's blood only cleanses sin, not _____.
- _____ starts the process of release out of captivity.
- John teaches us that victory over sin is a byproduct of " _____ in the _____."
- Don't rationalize what the light _____.
- Rationalization ends when we understand that Christ has fully met our _____.

We have convinced ourselves that it is circumstances and not sin that is our problem.

Romans 1:18

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness,

Ephesians 2:3

All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath.

2 Corinthians 5:21

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

- Relationship and fellowship are both _____ but neither is _____.

II. Real Faith Revealed

- Salvation is not just a _____ event but also a _____ event.
- Salvation is an experience with God in the _____ that is drastically affecting your _____ and _____.
- _____ of your relationship dramatically affects your fellowship.

III. The Sign of Real Fellowship

- Abiding in Christ is not about _____ of Christ but an _____ by Christ.

John 15:1-5

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. ²He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. ³You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

⁵"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

John 14:10-11

Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves.

- Abiding in Christ is reflecting the same kind of relationship to the _____ that Jesus had.
- The rub of relationship is that we want _____ to come before _____.
- Resurrection power only works in the midst of _____.

Philippians 3:10

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

Fellowship with God is learning to walk as Jesus walked in complete and unbroken dependence upon another to work within us.