

Stepping In The Light

1 John 1:7

Introduction:

Many have the mistaken idea that God is anxious to condemn

I. The Task of Christianity:

If we walk in the light as He is in the light...

A. He is the light, John 8:12

B. We must walk in the light: present active subjunctive (If we keep walking)

1 John 2:6, Galatians 3:27, Romans 6:3-4, 1 Cor 12:13

A. Why Use the Tem "Walk?"

1. Christianity is not a sprint, it is long term

Called a run, Phil. 2:16, 2 Tim. 4:7

2. The Christian must not be stationary

2 Peter 1:5-8, John 15:2

3. We are on a journey

Matthew 9:9, Matthew 7:13-14, Gen 5:22, Gen 6:9

II. The Rewards of Christianity

We have fellowship with one another...

A. What is fellowship?

KOINONIA-partnership, joint participation, communion

1 Corinthians 12:26-27, Galatians 6:2

B. What is the basis of fellowship?

1. Is it all the sincere (Saul (Acts 9), Cornelius (Acts 10) Apollos (Acts 18)?)

2. F. LaGard's ring theory?

3. Basis is obedience: in or out (Walk in or out of light)

And the Blood of Jesus Cleanses us From All Sin

1. Jesus died once for all to take away sin

Hebrews 9:28, Romans 6:10

2. His blood constantly cleanses us

KATHARIZEI present tense-constant process

John 1:29, 1 John 1:9