

# Identifying the “we” in 1 John 1:6,8, and 10

In John and 1 John...

## Who is the LIAR?

1 John 1:6

6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth;

John 8:44

" You are of your father **the devil**, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

1 John 2:4-5

4 The one who says, " I have come to know Him," and **does not keep His commandments**, is a liar, and the truth is not in him; 5 but whoever keeps His word, in him the love of God has truly been perfected.

1 John 2:22

22 Who is the liar but **the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, the one who denies the Father and the Son.**

1 John 4:20

If someone says, "I love God," and **hates his brother**, he is a liar; for the one who **does not love his brother** whom he has seen, **cannot love God** whom he has not seen.

## Who has NO TRUTH in him?

1 John 1:8

A If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. 9  
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John 8:44

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1 John 2:4

4 The one who says, " I have come to know Him," and **does not keep His commandments**, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. [*see below for who the one is who does not keep His commandments*]

1 John 2:18-23

18 Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now **many antichrists** have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour. 19 **They** went out from us, but **they were not really of us**; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us; but they went out, so that it would be shown that they all are not of us. 20 But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you all know. 21 I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you do know it, and because no lie is of the truth. 22 Who is the liar but the one who **denies that Jesus is the Christ?** This is the antichrist, the one who **denies the Father and the Son**. 23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father; the one who confesses the Son has the Father also. 24

1 John 4:1-6

1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because **many false prophets** have gone out into the world. 2 By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God; 3 and **every spirit that does not confess Jesus** is not from God; this is **the spirit of the antichrist**, of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world. 4 You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than **he who is in the world**. 5 **They are from the world**; therefore they speak as from the world, and the world listens to them. 6 We are from God; he who knows God listens to us; he who is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

1 John 5:6

It is the Spirit who testifies, because **the Spirit is the truth**.

## Who makes God a liar?

1 John 1:10

0 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar and His word is not in us.

1 John 5:10-12

The one who believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself; **the one who does not believe God** has made Him a liar, because **he has not believed in the testimony that God has given concerning His Son**. 11 And the testimony is this, that **God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son**. 12 He who has the Son has the life; **he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life**.

## Who is told that the WORD of GOD is NOT IN HIM?

1 John 1:10

10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar and His word is not in us.  
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John 5:38-39

38 "You [unbelieving Jews who were persecuting Jesus] do not have His word abiding in you, for **you do not believe Him** whom He sent.

39 " You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; it is these that testify about Me; 40 and **you are unwilling to come to Me so that you may have life.**

John 8:37

37 "I know that you are Abraham's descendants; yet **you seek to kill Me,** because My word has no place in you.

John 8:43-44

"Why do you not understand what I am saying? It is because you cannot hear My word.  
44 " **You are of your father the devil,** and you want to do the desires of your father.

## Who is the one that does not keep God/Christ's commandments?

John 13:34-35

34 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. 35 " By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

1 John 2:7-11

7 Beloved, I am not writing a new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word which you have heard. 8 On the other hand, I am writing a new commandment to you, which is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true Light is already shining. 9 **The one who says he is in the Light and yet hates his brother is in the darkness until now.** 10 The one who loves his brother abides in the Light and there is no cause for stumbling in him. 11 But the one who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

1 John 3:23-24

23 This is His commandment, that **we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ,** and **love one another,** just as He commanded us. 24 The one who keeps His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. We know by this that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He has given us.

1 John 4:20-21

20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, **cannot love God** whom he has not seen. 21 And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also.

## **Who is the one who hates his brother/does not love his brother?**

1 John 3:10

By this the children of God and the **children of the devil** are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is **not of God**, nor the one who does not love his brother.

1 John 3:11-15

11 For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another; 12 not as **Cain, who was of the evil one** and slew his brother. And for what reason did he slay him? Because his deeds were evil, and his brother's were righteous.

13 Do not be surprised, brethren, if the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love abides in death. 15 Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer; and you know that **no murderer has eternal life abiding in him**.

1 John 4:8

8 The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love. [*and see John 17:3 below for what knowing God is equated with*] NASU

1 John 4:20-21

20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a **liar**; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, **cannot love God** whom he has not seen. 2

John 17:1-3

17 Jesus spoke these things; and lifting up His eyes to heaven, He said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, that the Son may glorify You, 2 even as You gave Him authority over all flesh, that to all whom You have given Him, He may give eternal life. 3 "This is **eternal life**, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

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1 John 4:7

7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8

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