

# 1 John – Lesson 3 Workbook

## No Room for Gray

### 1 John 3:4-10

1. What is the definition of sin according to this passage?

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2. What/who is the origin of sin?

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3. What is the definition of righteousness according to this passage?

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4. What/who is the origin of righteousness?

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### MAKING IT REAL

1. How do you downplay the sin in your life? Honestly. Do you: blame your sin on someone else, pretend it's not a big deal, hide it and hope no one notices, focus only on your positives and hope they outweigh the negatives, lie and cover up your sin at any cost, or point out someone's flaws which are worse?

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2. What should we do when we don't successfully practice righteousness?

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3. What is the proper response that a Christian should make when he or she sins?

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4. Are there any areas of your life where you have stubbornly refused to let Jesus be Lord? What are they?

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### **Workbook Activity**

Spend just a few minutes reflecting on your life. What aspect of your behavior looks more like practicing lawlessness than practicing righteousness? Spend your time asking the Spirit to show you one way that you are not allowing Jesus to be Lord of your life. Write this confession down below. Write it as a letter to God. This will be between just you and God so be completely honest and as thorough as possible.

**Try to include the following elements in your letter.**

What is your sin specifically?

Is there a certain time or place where you fall into this lawlessness?

Why do you struggle with this issue? Did someone teach or lead you into this sin?

Do you think this is something that Jesus can help you overcome?

What are you specifically asking Jesus to do?

What kind of path would Jesus lead you on without this sin?

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### **Homework**

- Memorize 1 John 3:9
- Take an honest look at your life: Are you trying to play both sides of life or are you all in for God?
- Pray for wisdom, pray to be raised up in truth, and pray for forgiveness of your sins.