

SOUL ON FIRE

THIS IS THE LIFE!

1 John 1:1-10 Jeff Schreve



“The thief comes only to steal, and kill, and destroy; I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly.” John 10:10

“Remember therefore from where you have fallen ...”

Revelation 2:5

Q. Why do we need revival?

A. Because we have fallen from living the true Christian life.

What is the Christian life supposed to be?

What was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we beheld and our hands handled, concerning the Word of Life—and the life was manifested, and we have seen and bear witness and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was manifested to us—what we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, that you also may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. 1 John 1:1-3

1. The Christian life is a life of fellowship with the Lord.

A. We become partakers of His nature when we receive Christ.
Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, in order that by them you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.
2 Peter 1:2-4

B. We have communion with God and other believers.
... what we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, that you also may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. 1 John 1:3

2. The Christian life is a life of joy in the Lord.

We write these things to you so that you can be full of joy with us.
1 John 1:4 ERV

A. Joy goes much deeper than happiness.

B. Joy is a wonderful byproduct of abiding in His presence.
In Your presence is fullness of joy; In Your right hand there are pleasures forever. Psalm 16:11

“Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments, and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to

3. The Christian life is a life of walking with the Lord.

This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; but if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. 1 John 1:5-7

A. This is a walk in the light with Holy God.

... for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness? 2 Corinthians 6:14

B. This is not a walk of sinless perfection but sincere devotion.

1. We must be open and honest about our sin.

2. We must not turn a blind eye to our sin.

If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us. 1 John 1:8, 10

3. We must agree with God about our sin.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

How far have you fallen from living the abundant life?