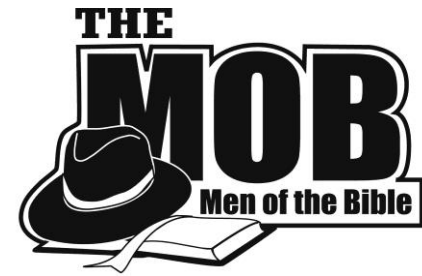




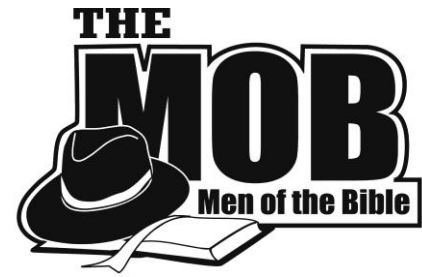
# Announcements



- Welcome to the MOB!
- [Ethics in Public Ed, Oct 26, 7 PM, IBC Atrium](#)
- [IBC Season of Service, Nov 7](#)
- [WACMM Fall Men's Conference, Nov 7, 2015 at McLean Bible Church, 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM](#)
- [IBC Thanksgiving Food Drive, NLT 22 Nov, 1200](#)
- Website: [www.ibcmob.net](http://www.ibcmob.net)



# 1 John Tests

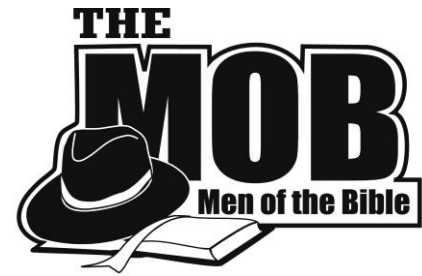


- 1) Moral Test: Obedience – [1 John 2:3-6](#)
- 2) Social Test: Loving Attitude – [1 John 2:7-11](#)
- 3) Doctrinal Test: Right Belief – [1 John 2:18-27](#)

*Shepherd's Notes, I, II, III John, pp.27,30,41*



# Memory Verse



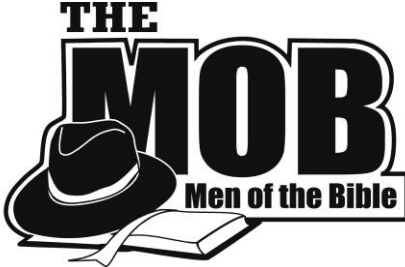
## **1 John 3:2-3 (ESV)**

Beloved, we are God's children now,  
and what we will be has not yet appeared;  
but we know that when he appears  
we shall be like him,  
because we shall see him as he is.  
And everyone who thus hopes in him  
purifies himself as he is pure.

**1 John 3:2-3 (ESV)**



# 1 John Outline

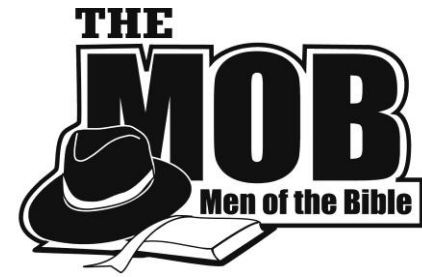


<b>Focus</b>	<b>Basis of Fellowship</b>		<b>Behavior of Fellowship</b>	
<b>Reference</b>	1:1 - 2:14	2:15 - 2:27	2:28 - 5:3	5:4 - 5:21
<b>Division</b>	Conditions for Fellowship	Cautions to Fellowship	Characteristics of Fellowship	Consequences of Fellowship
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Meaning of Fellowship</b>		<b>Manifestations of Fellowship</b>	
	<b>Abiding in God's Light</b>		<b>Abiding in God's Love</b>	
<b>Time</b>	Written in Ephesus around <b>90 AD</b>			





# 1 John Purposes



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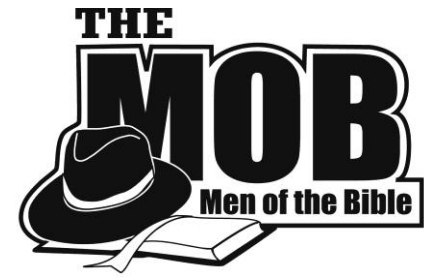
- “that you too may have fellowship” (1 John 1:3)
- “that your joy may be full” (1 John 1:4)
- “that you may not sin” (1 John 2:1)
- “that you may know you have eternal life” (1 John 5:13)

## Polemical:

- “concerning those trying deceive you” (1 John 2:26)
- - “make sure no one deceives you” (1 John 3:7)
- “test the spirits” (1 John 4:1-3)



# Last Week



**Warning about Antichrists**

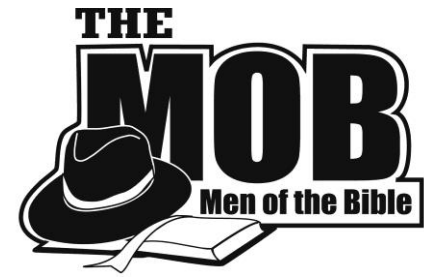
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**Children of God**

[1 John 2:28-29](#)



# This Week



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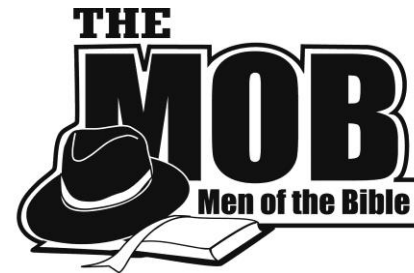
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**Sin and the Child of God**

[1 John 3:4-10](#)



# 1 John 3:1-10 (ESV) Children of God



<sup>1</sup> Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

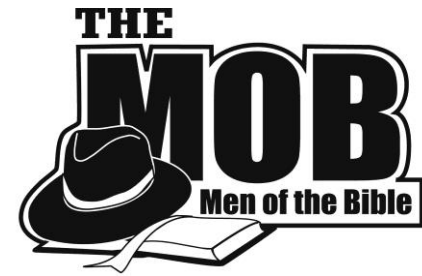
<sup>2</sup> Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.





# 1 John 3:1-10 (ESV)

## Sin and the Child of God



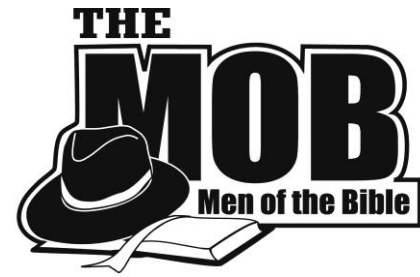
<sup>4</sup> Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup> And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup> Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him. <sup>7</sup> Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. <sup>8</sup> He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. <sup>9</sup> Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

<sup>10</sup> In this the children of God and the children of the devil are manifest: Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor *is* he who does not love his brother.



# 1 John 3:1-10

## Observation

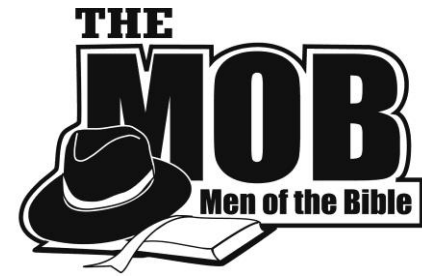


- 1 John 1-2: Fellowship (righteousness, love brethren)
- 1 John 3-5: Son-ship (righteousness, love brethren)
- 1 John 1-3: We are God's children, so live clean lives!
- 1 John 4-6: Sin is lawlessness, the root cause of evil
- 1 John 7-8: Satan was a servant but sought God-hood; Jesus is God but became a servant.
- 1 John 9-10: No one born of God will continue to sin. Why? Because God's seed remains in him.



# 1 John 3:1-10

## Interpretation (1 of 2)

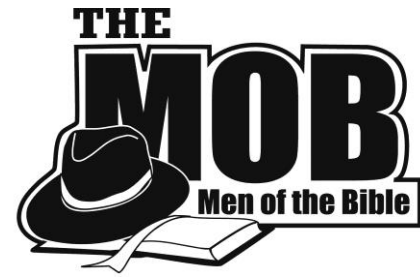


- Wiersbe says that “1 John 3:1 tells us what we are; 1 John 3:2 tells us what we shall be; 1 John 3:3 tells us what we should be.” Describe these three stages of our spiritual condition.
- (1 John 3:4-8) The whole plan of salvation begins with the love of our Father, who sent his Son to die for us while we were still his enemies to (1) take away our sins (2) destroy the works of the devil.



# 1 John 3:1-10

## Interpretation (2 of 2)

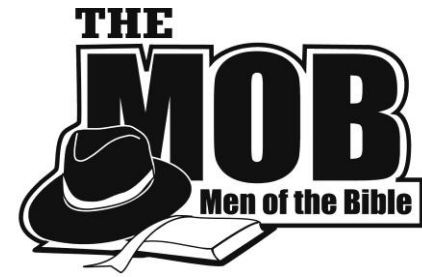


- Sin here is “defiance.” That rebellion reflects our will - either reject or follow God’s guidance. Since Christ was without sin, a Christian should abide in Him and avoid deliberate sin.
- Satan is a created being and a rebel. Christ is eternal and without sin. Christ came to render Satan inoperative (see Luke 11-14-23).
- As new Christians, we have major spiritual change: justification, sanctification and regeneration.



# 1 John 3:1-10

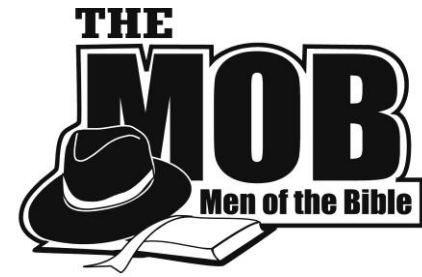
## Application / Discussion



- 1) Since we have experienced God's power, we have no desire to live in sin. See question #6.
- 2) Abide in Christ is to be welded together; let nothing interfere w/ our bond. See question #8.
- 3) Christ robbed Satan of much of his power and delivered us from bondage. See question #9.
- 4) Yielding to sin is distinguishing mark of "the children of the devil." Christians are children of God and seek to do His will. See question #10.



# Closing



- Questions?
- Comments?
- Closing Prayer

