

Questions for Consideration—*With the Master Before the Mirror of God's Word*
Lesson 4 — Does Your Talk Match Your Walk? — 1 John 2:3-6

Memory Work — 1 John 2:4

- 1) Read I John 2:3-6. (a) What things do you see that are similar to what John has already said in I John 1:1-2:2? (b) Why are these repeated things important?

- 2) John says that one of the ways we can know for sure that we know God is by our obedience to His commandments (2:3) (a) What others ways can we know for sure that we know God, according to the following passages in I John? 1:3; 1:7; 1:9; 2:15; 3:3; 3:9; 3:13; 3:14; 3:18,19; 3:22; 4:13; 5:18,19. (b) Would you say you know God after looking at these verses? (c) What are some other evidences that one can know for sure he/she is a believer? (Use Scripture other than I John to back up your answer.)

- 3) (a) What are some of the benefits of keeping God's commandments? See Psalm 119:6, 9; Ecc. 8:5; John 14:21-24; John 15:10,14; Heb. 5:9; I John 3:22-24; Rev. 22:14. (b) What are the dangers of not keeping His commandments? See Deut. 11:28; I Sam 12:15; Prov. 19:16; Luke 6:49; Romans 2:8,9; II Thess. 1:7-9; James 1:22; I John 2:4

- 4) (a) What do you think John means in I John 2:6 by "abiding" in Him? (b) According to Jesus' words in John 15:1-14, what are the evidences of those who abide in Him? Also, see I John 3:6 for another evidence. (c) What does Jesus say (in John 15:1-14) will happen to those who do not abide in Him?

- 5) John says that if we abide in Christ than we should walk as He walked. (2:6) (a) From the following passages, what are some of the ways that Christ walked while He was here on earth? Matthew 9:36; 20:27,28; John 6:38; 8:29;13:4,5; Eph 5:2; Hebrews 5:8; I Peter 2:21-23; I John 3:16; (b) Since we are to walk as He walked, would you say these things are evident in your life? (c) What changes do you need to make to conform to what Christ would have you to do?

- 6) (a) How are you keeping His commandments? (b) How are you abiding in Him? (c) How are you walking as He walked? (d) How can we pray for you? Please bring a request for your partner.