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THE 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD LETTERS OF JOHN

The Purpose of 1 John 1 and 1 John 3:

- In Chapter one, John closes the door on _____
- In Chapter three, John closes the door on _____

John's Perspective on 'sin:'

- John confronts sin as a _____
 - *A life repeatedly bent _____ from God.*
- If *to sin* is to "miss the mark," then for John _____ is the mark.

John's Vision for the Future of The Church:

- All of this ends with _____

The Goal of 1 John 2:28-3:10:

- To remind you that you are, right now, a _____ of _____

Our "One Thing:"

- God is at work in your life _____

Notes:



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1. If you had 3 words to describe what you were like as a child (or what you *heard* you were like), what would they be?
2. What thoughts, emotions, or experiences come to mind when you hear yourself described as a “child of God”?
3. Where have you recently noticed God working in an area of your life that still feels unfinished?
4. **Read 1 John 2:28–3:3.**
 - What do you think John means when he says that we will be like Christ because we will see Him as He is?
 - How does our future hope in Christ begin shaping our lives in the present? What is the difference between earning our identity and living from an identity God has already given us?
6. **Read 1 John 1:8–2:2 and 3:4–10.**
 - What tension do you hear between these two passages?
 - How does John’s earlier teaching about confession and forgiveness protect us from perfectionism while 1 John 3 protects us from complacency?
7. How can we recognize the difference between struggling against sin and gradually settling into it?
8. Is there a repeated pattern that God may be inviting you to bring into the light? What would one honest next step look like?

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LifeGroup Questions