

"On Distancing Faith and Morality" 1 John 1:5-10

| I. John | John makes a point, perhaps in the face of heretical | | | |
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| te | achers, that God is | , not | | |
| _ | at all (1:5). | | | |
| a. | People who | _ they walk in spec | cial | |
| | fellowship with God yet the works of | | | |
| | darkness are | (1:6). | | |
| 1 John 1:3; 6-7 | | | | |
| b. | A sign that the | of Jesus | | |
| | | _ your sins and tha | it you have | |
| | fellowship is that you walk in the light (1:7). | | | |
| Hebrews 9:22-28 | | | | |
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| II. John makes another point, again, perhaps in the face of | | | | |
| heretical teachers, that those who say they have | | | | |
| si | are themselves (1:8). | | | |
| Proverbs 26:4 | | | | |
| a. | If we are those who confess our sins, a sign of | | | |
| | intense awareness and penitence over sin, Christ is | | | |
| | faithful to remove th | ıe | sin from | |
| | us and to cleanse us | fromunri | ghteousness | |
| | (1:9). | | | |

Psalm 32:5; Proverbs 28:15

| b. | A final reminder related to verse 8 | drives home this |
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| | point: If we claim to have | sinned, we make |
| | God a liar and the truth is not in us | s (1:10). |

1 John 2:26