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Main Bible Text: <u>1 John 1:5-2:6</u>

3 Ways You Can Deal with Sin

I. THE <u>DANGER</u> OF OUR SIN – COVER IT

Read <u>1 John 1:5-6</u>

How do Christians try to cover their sin? (1 John 1:6)

- 1. Lie to others (1 John 1:8)
- 2. Lie to <u>ourselves</u>
- 3. Lie to God (1 John 1:10, Proverbs 28:13)

II. THE <u>DEMAND</u> OF OUR SIN – CONFESS IT

Read <u>1 John 1:9</u>, <u>1 John 2:1-2</u>

Two Titles of Jesus Christ

- Propitiation: the satisfying of God's holy law
- Advocate: One who comes alongside us and pleads our case

What does it mean to confess?

Confess (Greek, homologeo): to say the same thing about sin that God says about it

"People today minimize and redefine sin, often alleging that the "failures" of their lives exist because of how others have treated them. The "victim mentality" reigns supreme as popular culture comforts itself in affirming that people are basically good and whatever may be wrong is not really wrong – but merely a preference of personal freedom. Instead of accepting responsibility for their behavior, people demand to be accepted as they are." – John MacArthur

Read again: Proverbs 28:13

III. THE DELIVERANCE FROM OUR SIN - CONQUER IT

Read <u>1 John 2:1</u>

How do we conquer sin?

- 1. Walk in God's <u>life (1 John 2:6, 1 John 5:12</u>)
- 2. Walk in God's <u>light (1 John 1:7, Psalm 119:105</u>)
- 3. Walk in God's <u>love (1 John 2:5</u>)

3 Motives for Obedience

- 1. Because we **have** to
- 2. Because we **need** to
- 3. Because we **want** to

Read <u>1 John 2:6</u>