

**Lesson 1 - The Word Of Life** - This lesson strikes at the very heart of one's consecration and commitment to Jesus Christ. It becomes the acid test of whether one is demonstrating the character of Christ and the fruit of the Spirit. It cannot help but alter one's behavior and attitude toward God, sin, and the world.

**Lesson 2 - The Focus Of Fellowship** - There are significant thoughts that John will raise throughout this lesson. There are certain tests that seek to prove us. John not only develops this idea of a test proving us but he also determines that those who fail the test are not in the Church.

**Lesson 3 - The Focus Of Truth** - Once one becomes confident in the power of the Word and the work of the Spirit, this confidence produces a passion that translates into a dogma. This confidence gives boldness of speech that will assist us in reaching our world for the cause of Christ.

**Lesson 4 - The Right Attitude Toward Sin** - A tendency in one's heart to dismiss sin or to look lightly upon it clearly demonstrates a very low view of God and His high call to holiness. A willingness to openly confess and declare that the heart is deceitfully wicked allows the process of repentance to begin.

**Lesson 5 - Confession And Repentance Of Sin** - Not only is repentance a necessity for salvation, it is also to be an ongoing aspect in the life of a saint. It must become a habitual and conscious act that bolsters our walk with God.

**Lesson 6 - The Devine Defense Attorney** - One of the most powerful discoveries and weapons a saint of God has is the understanding that his sin has been totally forgiven. The great value of the Gospel is that forgiveness of sin can come to our lives through the work of Calvary.

**Lesson 7 - The Destruction Of Doubt By Obedience** - A person can know beyond the shadow of a doubt the absolute certainty of salvation. "And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments."

**Lesson 8 - An Old But New Commandment** - The saint of God may know and understand the certainty of eternal life. There is an obvious reward that comes from knowing that eternal life belongs to him which is so that his "joy may be full".

**Lesson 9 - The Discipline Of Spiritual Growth** - One of the most important tasks in the life of a saint of God is to have true spiritual growth. In this lesson John is laying out a natural progression which occurs in the life of all who have been filled with the Spirit.

**Lesson 10 - The Love That God Hates** - With an understanding that there is a perfect love of God, then one must explore the other end of the spectrum and see that there are some things that God also hates.

**Lesson 11 - Why A Saint Cannot Love The World** - Gently and slowly it seeks its way into the heart, and hardens it day by day. This is backsliding. Sin permitted, the heart gradually hardened, unbelief taking his place, and then, departure from the living God.

**Lesson 12 - The Cardiology Of Worldliness** - This matrix of evil is how the devil and his demons have entire control over all sinners who are part of the kingdom of the world.

**Lesson 13 - The Saint And The Spirit Of Antichrist** - John is writing and stating that this spirit of antichrist is one that is against Jesus Christ and His church.

**Lesson 14 - The Marks Of The Saint And The Marks of the Defector** - Some came in but time proved that the Spirit was only allowed to have a limited impact in their life. While a conversion took place, perseverance never entered and the journey was forsaken.

**Lesson 15 - The Power Of Hope** - Every child of God can have complete confidence in their relationship with God. Confidence comes from the hope that is in him which leads to a walk in godliness and holiness.

**Lesson 16 - How Hope Purifies** - Purification gives rise to thoughts of holiness and sanctification. John tells us that doctrine matters because it influences our thinking which affects the way we live our lives.

**Lesson 17 - What The Devil Does Not Want You To Know About Hope.** - When one delves into this thought of hope, there are some characteristics about hope that the devil does not want a saint to be aware of.

*Be sure to take a look at this incredible series contributed by this long time contributor, Pastor Philip Harrelson*