

Bible Study Series: 1 John – Living As His Light (lesson 5)

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If you were given a \$20 bill, could you definitively say it was real or a fake?



“Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come. This is how we know it is the last hour. ¹⁹They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us; but their going showed that none of them belonged to us.

²⁰But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth. ²¹I do not write to you because you do not know the truth, but because you do know it and because no lie comes from the truth. ²²Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist—denying the Father and the Son. ²³No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

²⁴As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father. ²⁵And this is what he promised us—eternal life.

²⁶I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray. ²⁷As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit—just as it has taught you, remain in him.

²⁸And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming. ²⁹If you know that he is righteous, you know that everyone who does what is right has been born of him.”

1 John 2:18-29

John is clear...the REAL MESSIAH can be known in identifiable, real ways:

1. Jesus, the REAL MESSIAH, endows His Followers with _____.

“But you have an anointing from the Holy One...” 1 John 2:20a

2. Jesus, the REAL MESSIAH, is the _____.

“...and all of you know the truth. ²¹I do not write to you because you do not know the truth, but because you do know it and because no lie comes from the truth.” 1 John 2:20b-21

3. Jesus, the REAL MESSIAH, leads us to _____, proof we are born of Him.

“And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming. ²⁹If you know that he is righteous, you know that everyone who does what is right has been born of him.” 1 John 2:28-29

Conclusion: By intimately knowing the Genuine, we will be able to spot the counterfeit!

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