

# The Book of 1<sup>st</sup> John

PURPOSE:

THEME #1: *Fellowship with God* – 1:3

THEME #2: *Assurance of Salvation* – 5:13

KEY WORD(S): 'know' or 'knows' or 'known' – 5:18-20

OUTLINE:

**1<sup>st</sup> ... Cornerstone of True Fellowship** – 1:1-4

**2<sup>nd</sup> ... Conditions for True Fellowship** – 1:5-2:14

1:5-7 ... Walking in the Light

1:8-2:2 ... Confession of Our Sin

2:3-6 ... Obedience to His Commandments

2:7-14 ... Love for One Another

**3<sup>rd</sup> ... Contradictions to True Fellowship** – 2:15-27

2:15-17 ... Love for the World

2:18-27 ... The Spirit and Teaching of Antichrist

**4<sup>th</sup> ... Characteristics of True Fellowship** – 2:28-5:3

2:28-3:12 ... Practice Righteousness

3:13-24 ... Love for the Brethren

4:1-6 ... Spiritual Discernment – to know truth from error

4:7-5:3 ... God's Love in Us

**5<sup>th</sup> ... Consequences of True Fellowship** – 5:4-21

5:4-5 ... Victory Over the World

5:6-13 ... Biblical Assurance

5:14-15 ... Answered Prayer

5:16-21 ... Freedom from the Dominion of Sin

★ **LESSON** – Biblical Assurance

**1<sup>st</sup> ... FELLOWSHIP TEST – 1:1-2:2**

**2<sup>nd</sup> ... OBEDIENCE TEST – 2:3-6... John 14:15,27**

**3<sup>rd</sup> ... HEART TEST – 2:15-17**

**4<sup>th</sup> ... TRUTH TEST – 2:18-27**

**5<sup>th</sup> ... SIN TEST – 3:4-9... 5:18**

**6<sup>th</sup> ... THE LOVE TEST – 3:10-23... 4:7-5:3**

<1<sup>st</sup>> Practical Love – 3:17-19

<2<sup>nd</sup>> A Believing Love – 3:23

<3<sup>rd</sup>> An Habitual Love – 4:7

<4<sup>th</sup>> A Self-sacrificing Love – 3:16

<5<sup>th</sup>> An Obedient Love – 4:21... 5:2-3

**7<sup>th</sup> ... THE WINNERS TEST – 4:4... 5:4-5**