



**Who Is the Liar?**  
**1 John 2:12-28**

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# What will we learn?

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- ❖ Because you know Jesus ...
  - ❖ Your sins have been forgiven.
  - ❖ You have overcome the evil one.
  - ❖ Eternal life is your reward.
- ❖ There is a cosmic rivalry ...
  - ❖ Between the world and the kingdom of God.
  - ❖ Between lies and truth.

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## Tools for epistles:

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- ❖ Read it through in one setting.
- ❖ Remember that it's someone else's mail.
- ❖ Look for the occasion.

# 1 John 1

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- ❖ We apostles proclaim what we have witnessed.
- ❖ Light vs. darkness
- ❖ Love vs. hate

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## 1 John 2:2

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He [Jesus Christ, our advocate] is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

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## 1 John 2:12-13

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I am writing to you, dear children,  
because your sins have been forgiven  
on account of his name.

I am writing to you, fathers,  
because you know him who is from the beginning.

I am writing to you, young men,  
because you have overcome the evil one.

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## 1 John 2:14

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I write to you, dear children,  
because you know the Father.

I write to you, fathers,  
because you know him who is from the beginning.

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## 1 John 2:14

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I write to you, young men,  
because you are strong,  
and the word of God lives in you,  
and you have overcome the evil one.



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## John's audience:

- ❖ Dear children
- ❖ Fathers
- ❖ Young men

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Because you know Jesus ...

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- ❖ Your sins have been forgiven.
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## Colossians 2:15

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And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

## 1 John 2:15-16

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Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world — the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life — comes not from the Father but from the world.

## Romans 1:29-30

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They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful;

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## Romans 1:30-31

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they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy.

## 2 Timothy 3:1-3

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But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good,

## 2 Timothy 3:4-5

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treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God — having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.



# Which voices are loudest?

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- ❖ The world
- ❖ The flesh
- ❖ The devil
- ❖ The Bible
- ❖ The Holy Spirit
- ❖ Wise counsel

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1 John 2:17

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The world and its desires pass away,  
but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

# World vs. Kingdom of God:

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- ❖ Matthew 6:24
- ❖ Luke 16:13
- ❖ 1 Corinthians 7:31
- ❖ 2 Corinthians 4:18
- ❖ 2 Peter 3:7-13
- ❖ Revelation 21

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## 1 John 2:18

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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.

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## 1 John 2:19

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They 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.

## 1 John 2:20-21

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But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth. I 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.

## Acts 10:37-38

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You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached — how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

## 1 John 2:22-23

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Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist — denying the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.



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## 1 John 2:24-25

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As 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. And this is what he promised us — eternal life.

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## John 4:14

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[Jesus]: "... whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

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## John 5:24

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[Jesus]: “Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life.”

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## John 6:40

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[Jesus]: “For my Father’s will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.”

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## John 6:68

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Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

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## John 10:10

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[Jesus]: “The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

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## John 10:28

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[Jesus]: “I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.”

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## John 11:25-26

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Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"



## 1 John 2:26-27

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I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray. As 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.

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## 1 John 2:28

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And now, dear children, continue in him,  
so that when he appears we may be confident  
and unashamed before him at his coming.

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Only one life, yes only one. Now let me say,  
“Thy will be done”

And when at last I'll hear the call, I know I'll say  
“ 'Twas worth it all.”

Only one life, 'twill soon be past. Only what's  
done for Christ will last.

# What have we learned?

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# Are you being called?

- ❖ To receive Christ
- ❖ To become a member of Melbourne Community Church
- ❖ To pray / to receive prayer
- ❖ To affirm or reaffirm a commitment
- ❖ To receive the Lord's Supper

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