

Flag Branch Missionary Baptist Church
Baptist Training Union

1st, 2nd and 3rd John
How Should A Christian Live

Study 5: – 1 John 2:18 - 2:27

18. Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that *the* Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour.
19. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.
20. But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you *all* know all things.
21. I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and that no lie is of the truth.
22. Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son.
23. Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.
24. Therefore let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father.
25. And this is the promise that He has promised us—eternal life.
26. These things I have written to you concerning those who try to deceive (lead you astray) you.
27. But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you *will* abide in Him.

Discussion

- A. Who are “the children” John is referring to? What do you believe John is using the words “last hour” to describe? Could he be using them for something he already said or something he is saying or about to say? v. 18
- B. Antichrist is not just a single person. Who then or what is “antichrist(s)”? From where did “the children” hear that antichrist was coming? Does their presence help to clear up what John means by “last hour”? If so, how? v. 18

- C. Who is John saying “went out from us”? Who does “us” refer to? What is a reason “they “went out from us”? Why is it important for something to be “manifest”? v. 19.
- D. What is “an anointing” John is speaking of? Where does it come from? What purpose does this anointing serve? v. 20.
- E. What “truth” is John saying “the children” know? Who does John identify as a liar? Who is an antichrist? What exactly is this liar and antichrist denying? v. 21-22.
- F. How does a person deny the “Son”? How does a person acknowledge the “Son”? What does John mean when he says someone “has or does not have the Father”? v. 23
- G. What is it they heard from the beginning that John tells the children to let abide or remain with them? What will be the result of allowing what they heard to abide with them? What does that mean? Is it the same meaning as “have the father”? Why or why not? v. 24
- H. Who is “us”? What does John say has been promised to “us”? What do you think that is and is it enough? Why or why not? v. 25.
- I. What does John give as a reason for writing to the readers of this letter? How does it compare to earlier reasons he has given for writing this letter? v. 26
- J. Who is “Him” the anointing comes from? What are two things John says the anointing will do? What does John mean by saying “you do not need that anyone teach you”? v. 27
- K. Does John readers abide in the anointing or does the anointing abide in them? Is there a difference? Explain? v. 27