

**1 John 2**

**The Victorious Character of Fellowship**

**The Central Message**

The Advocacy of CHRIST - How the “Dear Children” may have fellowship with GOD and each other.

**Structure**

John 2:1-11 – Obey, Remain, and Love

John 2:12-29 – Spiritual Maturity and the Enemies of Fellowship

**Highlights of the chapter**

* The advocacy of Christ and fellowship (2:1-2)
* Obedience and fellowship (2:3-6)
* Brotherly love and fellowship (2:7-11)
* Spiritual maturity and fellowship (2:12-14)
* The peril of worldliness and fellowship (2:15-17)
* Loyalty to the faith and fellowship (2:18-23)
* Abiding in Christ and fellowship (2:24-29**)**

**Introduction**

This chapter is a continuation of the thought begun in the previous chapter regarding the manner in which **“little children”** may have fellowship with God. We have seen that we can have fellowship with God by walking in the light, that is in God’s presence. The second thing we must do in order to maintain that fellowship is to confess our sins to Him. When we walk in the light, we know that the blood of Jesus Christ keeps on cleansing us from all sin, but we also know that there is imperfection in our lives and that we must go to Him in confession. In this chapter we come to the matter of the Advocacy of Christ. We will now see the conclusion of that which began with 1John 1:5 where John said, “This then is the message. What is the message? It is the message of the gospel of the Grace of God that, takes the sinner and by simple faith in Christ brings him into the family of God where he becomes an heir and joint-heir with Jesus Christ. It is the relationship with the Father that is all important.

**Keywords/Phrases**

1. Fellowship
2. Advocacy
3. Obedience
4. Propitiation
5. Justification
6. Abide
7. Things of the World
8. The Antichrist
9. The Anointing

**Questions**

1. Who are the little children and why did he use that term?
2. Why was John writing to the little children?
3. Who is the advocate John is talking about?
4. How do we truly know that we know HIM according to verse 3?
5. What was John’s warning about the world?
6. Define the lust of the flesh?
7. Define is the lust of the eye?
8. Define is the pride of life?
9. When is the last hour?
10. How do we remain in Him?