

# LIGHT & LOVE

## WEEK 2: LIVE IN THE LIGHT

### Warm up question:

- What do you look for in someone's life when you're deciding what sort of person they are?

### Read 1 John 2:1-6

1. What reason does John give for writing this letter?
2. What does it mean for Jesus to be our 'advocate' and 'propitiation' (atoning sacrifice)?
3. In verse 4, John calls some people 'liars'. What makes them a liar?
4. What contrast does John make in verses 4-5?
5. What is the implication of verse 6 in each of our lives?

### Read 1 John 2:7-17

6. What is the old commandment that John refers to in verse 7? (see Deuteronomy 6:4-7)
7. In verses 8-11, we see the repeated theme of 'light and darkness'. What does this passage say about light and darkness?
8. In verses 12-14, what reasons does John give for encouraging the people? Why is this important?
9. Why do you think John says verses 15-16 that it's difficult (impossible) to love the world and love God at the same time? What does it look like to love the world instead of God?
10. Why do you think John puts such emphasis on the way we behave?

### Rubber hits the road:

- Think of three ways that you can abide in Jesus this week and 'walk in the same way he walked'
- Memory Verse!

Write down **1 John 2:3** and place it somewhere you'll see it every day.

Memorise this verse and saying it to yourself every day.

As you do this, remind yourself of its truth – you know him and walk in his ways!

### PRAYER

God of light and love, thank you that you made us in your image. Forgive us when we forget you and your Son, and when we forget to live in your light. Help us to always stick to true teaching, true living, and true loving, so that we can share your love with everyone we meet. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

