I JOHN – LESSON 5

- I. KNOWING THE CHARACTER OF THE CHILDREN OF GOD (2:29-3:12)
 - A. He who practices righteousness is begotten of the righteous God (2:29).
 - B. He who keeps himself pure is a child of the pure God (3:1-3).
 - C. He who does not habitually practice sin abides in God (3:4-6).
 - D. Identifications from the true standard (3:7-9)
 - 1. He is righteous who habitually practices righteousness.
 - 2. He is of the Devil who habitually practices sin.
 - 3. He is begotten of God who does not habitually practice sin but allows God's seed to abide in control of his life.
 - E. He is not of God who does not love his brother (3:10-12)

QUESTIONS:

- 1. What physical characteristic of the father-son relationship illustrates a spiritual truth in this lesson?
- 2. In what way does the world not know the Father and His children?
- 3. What hope does the child of God have keeping him striving to be pure?
- 4. Define Sin:
- 5. What purpose was behind the manifestation of the Son of God?
- 6. Describe the one who abides in God:
- 7. What contradicts our claim to be begotten of God?
- 8. What was heard from the beginning of the Gospel message?
- 9. Cain was "of the evil one" because of "inherited depravity." (T) (F)
- 10. Why did Cain kill his brother?