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The Heart of Christ: Our Advocate

I John 1:6-2:2



1. Read I John 1:6-2:2 and write down 3 or more insights or truths that would apply to your life:

2. The word for “advocate” in I John 2:1 = “one who comes along side,” “adviser,” “one who is called to one’s aid.” It is used in this passage referring to Jesus Christ, and in 4 other passages it refers to the work of the Holy Spirit. Look up each of the passages and then write down what is the benefit to you that God is your Advocate:
 - I John 2:1
 - John 14:16, 26
 - John 15:26
 - John 16:7

3. In John 2:2, Jesus is declared to be our “propitiation.” Wow, that is a very difficult theological word that we do not use much in our day! It is not an easy word, but it is a beautiful word that means “satisfaction,” “appeasement.” Look up Romans 3:21-25 and write down how this propitiation /satisfaction was accomplished and why the propitiation of Christ is so important and such a blessing:

4. Think of a modern day court of law. The main people involved in a court are the judge, the accused, the accuser/prosecutor, and the defense attorney/advocate. Scripture says that in the eternal court, the Father is the Judge, the sinner is the accused, and Jesus is the believer’s defense attorney/prosecutor. Look up Revelation 12:10 and write down Satan’s activity as the “accuser” answering such questions as: Who is Satan accusing? To whom does he go to accuse? How often does Satan accuse? Are the accused guilty? How valuable is the fact that genuine believers have an Advocate with the Father!

5. If you are a follower of Christ, stop and thank /praise Christ right now! If you are not a follower of Christ, then get on your knees, repent of your sin, receive Jesus Christ’s finished work on the cross, and claim Christ as your Advocate!

Connection Card Next Steps: I John 2:1-2

I desire to be a follower of Christ by believing in the finished work of Christ on the cross for the very first time.

I want to take the next step in my relationship with Christ and will contact one of the Pastors to discuss what the step might be.