

## 1 John 2:1&2

What are you going to do when you sin?

<sup>1:8</sup> If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

<sup>1:10</sup> If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

<sup>1:9</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

<sup>2:1</sup> My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. <sup>2</sup>He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

In 1:6-2:2 three of the false claims of the false teachers are exposed and contradicted.

In (1:6&7) they denied that sin breaks our fellowship with God:

In (1:8&9), they denied that sin exists in our nature:

In (1:10-2:2), they denied that sin shows itself in our conduct:

1. We have an advocate with the Father
2. We have an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Let's take each of those in turn and think a little more deeply about each of them.

### 1. Jesus is our advocate with the Father (1)

## 2. Jesus is the atoning sacrifice for our sins

Leviticus 25:9 'Then sound the trumpet everywhere on the tenth day of the seventh month; on the Day of Atonement sound the trumpet throughout your land'.

Numbers 5:8 'But if that person has no close relative to whom restitution can be made for the wrong, the restitution belongs to the LORD and must be given to the priest, along with the ram with which atonement is made for the wrongdoer'.

Psalms 130:4 'But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you'.

Amos 8:14 'Those who swear by the sin of Samaria – who say, "As surely as your god lives, Dan", or, "As surely as the god<sup>(b)</sup> of Beersheba lives"—they will fall, never to rise again.'

Ezekiel 44:27 'On the day he goes into the inner court of the sanctuary to minister in the sanctuary, he is to offer a sin offering for himself, declares the Sovereign LORD'.

### Conclusion

Where does this leave us?