## 1 John Chapter 1 Interpretive Questions

- 1. Who is the author of 1 John? Who did the author write 1 John to? What is the purpose of 1 John? Describe one thing that you know about the author of 1 John.
- 2. What is the meaning of the term "fellowship"?
- 3. Fellowship is a key theme of 1 John. How does a strong fellowship between the believer and God and between the believer and the church lead to a strong witness for the good news of and about Jesus Christ?
- 4. In verse 4, the author mentions "Joy being full." What does this mean? What does having joy in your relationship and fellowship with God look like? What does this look like in your relationship and fellowship with others (Spouse, Children, Church, Friends, Co-Workers)?
- 5. Read 1 John 1:5. John draws a contrast between darkness and light. What is the difference between darkness and light?
- 6. What does it mean to "walk in the light?" What does it mean to "walk in darkness?"

## **Discussion Questions**

- 7. What is one key takeaway you have learned from 1 John Chapter 1?
- 8. The author of 1 John stated he/she came to know Jesus through personal experience. What is your testimony of how you have come to know Jesus?
- 9. Pastor Murry mentioned that it's possible to have relationship without fellowship. Explain how it is possible that a person can have relationship without fellowship. What should a person do to bring fellowship into their relationship (s)?
- 10. How does walking in the light lead to an awareness of sin? How does this then lead to confession, repentance, and receiving forgiveness?
- 11. How does walking in the light lead to the avoidance of sin? How does walking with Jesus help us steer clear of destruction?
- 12. What will you do this week to make sure you continue to walk in the light?