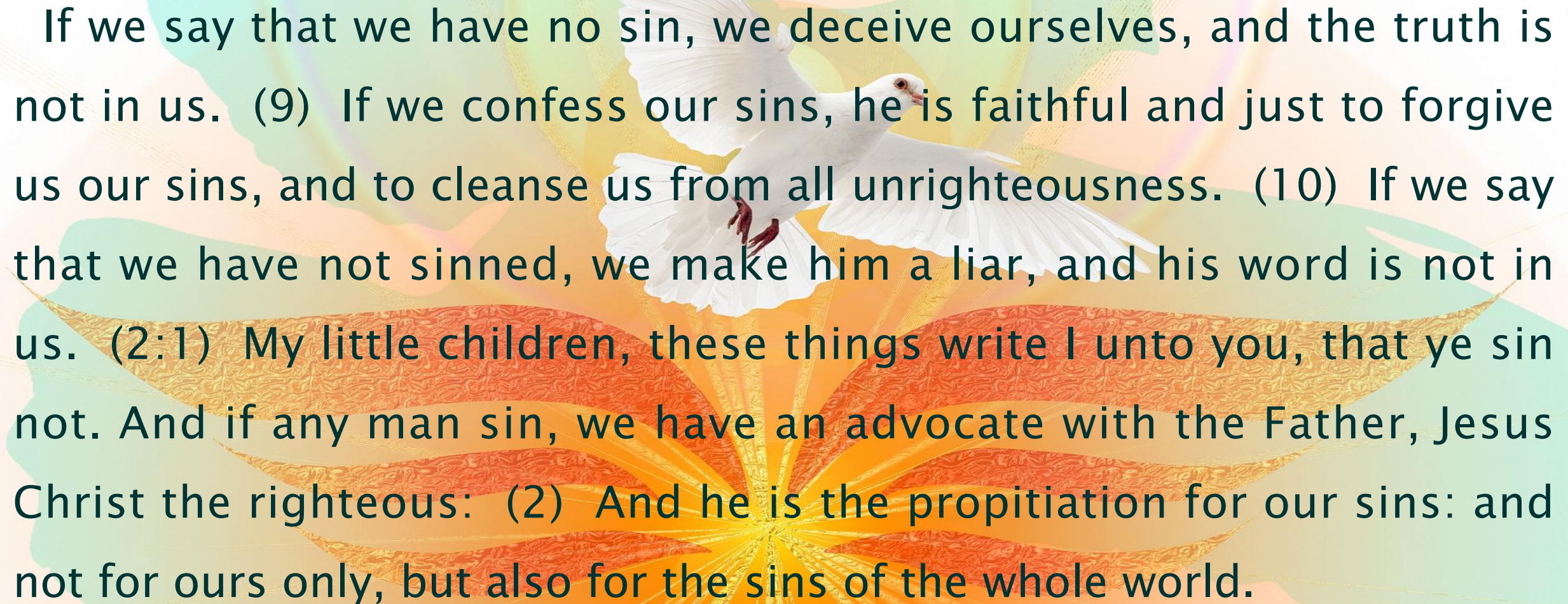


1 John 2 | A Tale of Love and Truth



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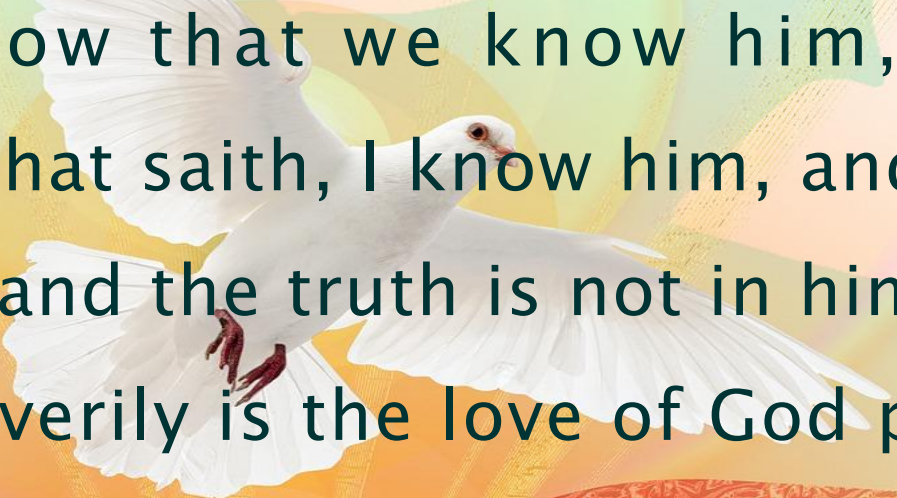
1 John 1:8-2:2 | Christ Our Advocate Before a Righteous Judge



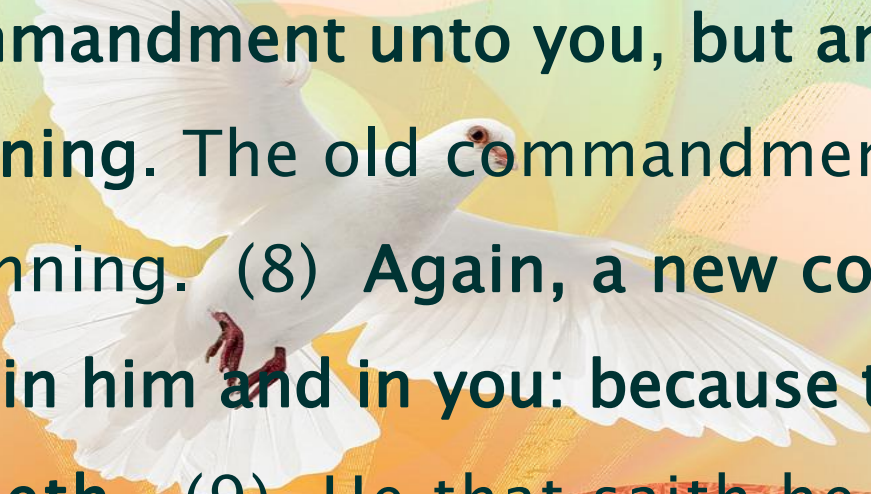
If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. (9) If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (10) If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. (2:1) My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: (2) And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:3-6 | Knowing Christ implies Keeping His Commandments

And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. (4) He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. (5) But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him. (6) He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.



1 John 2:7-11 | From Love as Obedience to the Law of Love



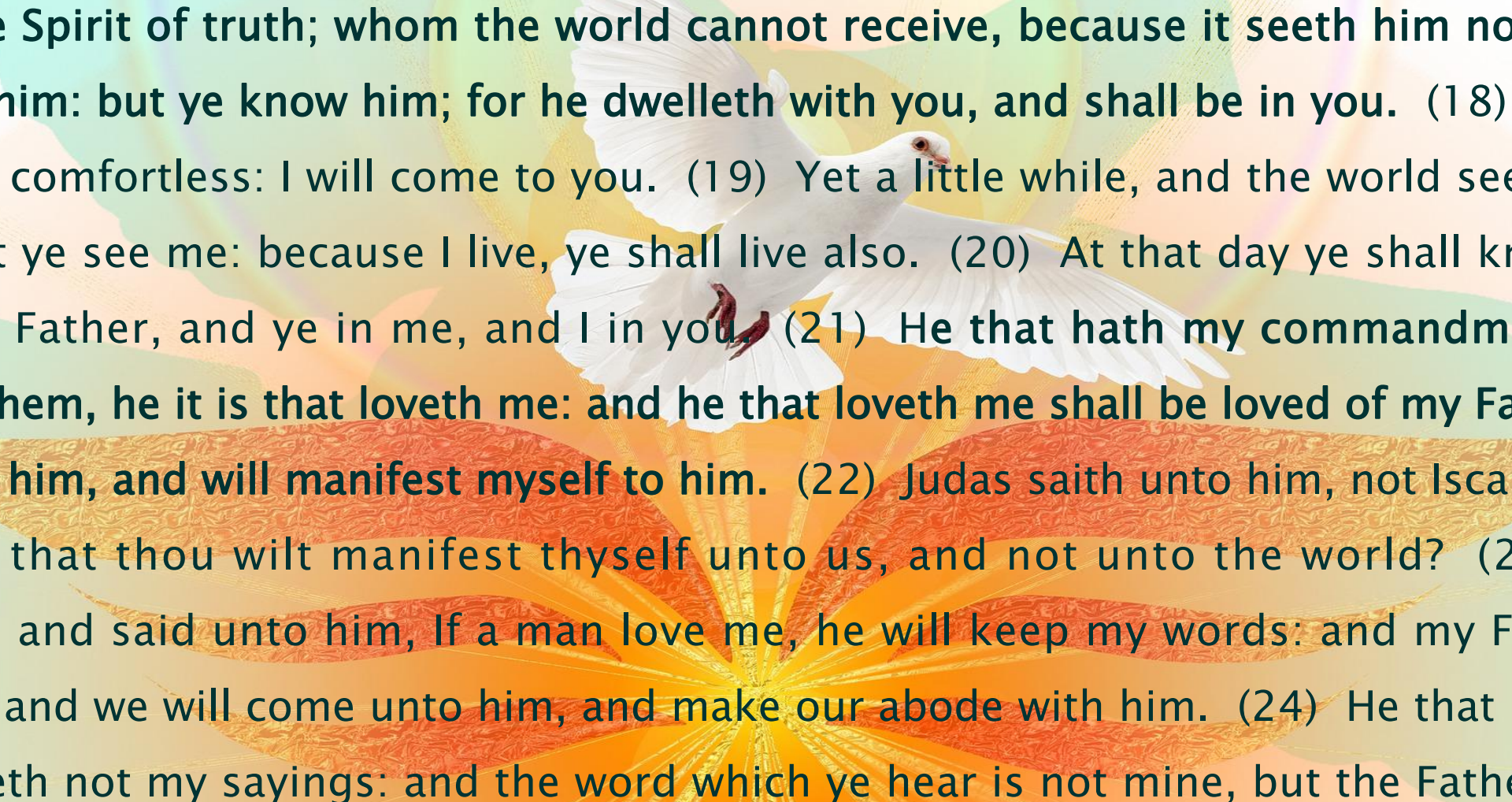
Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning. (8) Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you: because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth. (9) He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now. (10) He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. (11) But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.

Mark 12:29-31 | Love as Obedience to the Law

And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: (30) And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. (31) And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

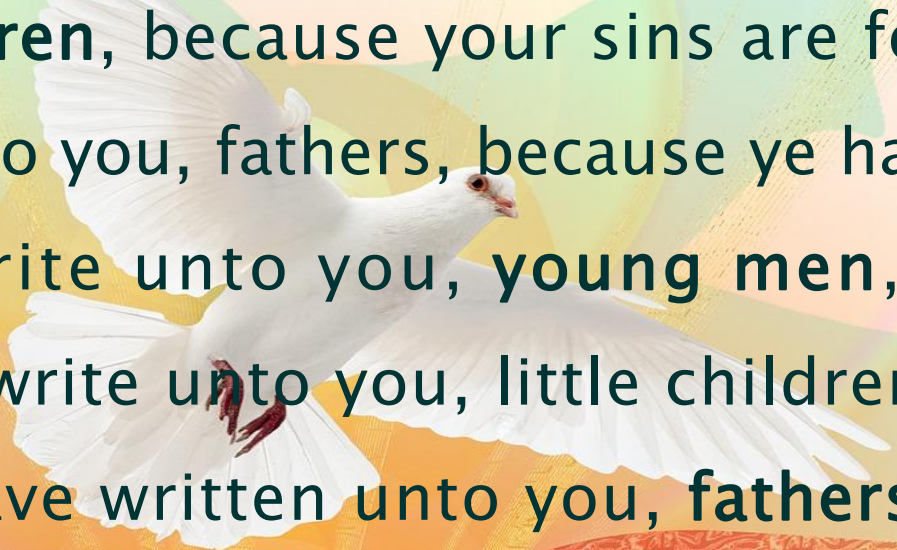


John 14:17-24 | The Law of Love (Outpouring of Love)



Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. (18) I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. (19) Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. (20) At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. (21) He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. (22) Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? (23) Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. (24) He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

1 John 2:12-14 | Addressing the Differing Tiers of Maturity in the Church



I write unto you, **little children**, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake. (13) I write unto you, **fathers**, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I write unto you, **young men**, because ye have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you, **little children**, because ye have known the Father. (14) I have written unto you, **fathers**, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, **young men**, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.

Little Children	Young Men	Fathers
Redeemed Baby Christians	Spiritually Strong	Organically Selected Leaders
Sin issues/weak understanding	Scored victories against sin/Satan	Deep Understanding of things of God

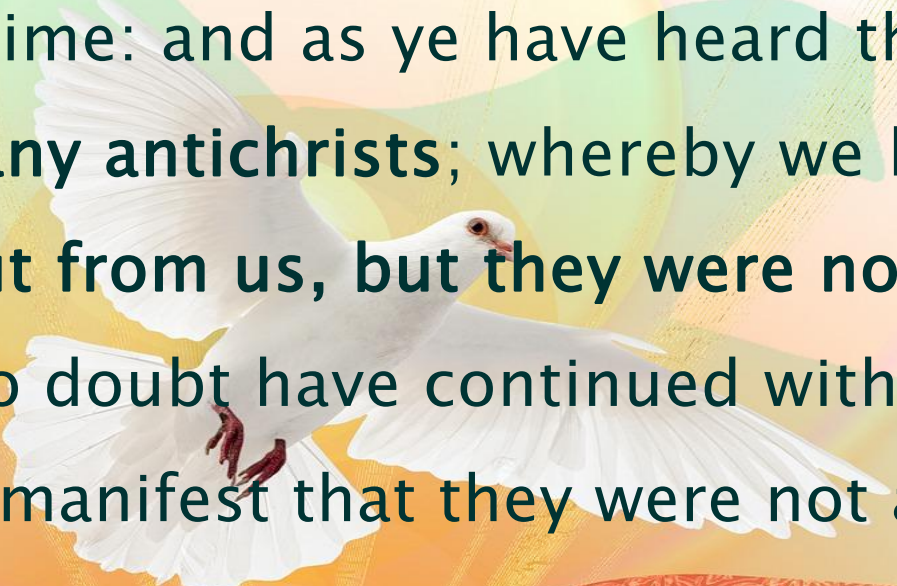
1 John 2:15-17 | Do Not Love the World

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. (16) For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. (17) And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Lust of the Flesh	Pride of Life	Lust of the eyes
Inordinate desires of the body	Boasts of what one has and does	Visual triggers of the lust of the flesh
These are loved more than the pursuit of God's order	When applied to social assets, networks to create systems of evil - cronyism	Systemic evil works by manipulating these triggers

1 John 2:18-23 | Discerning Truth From Error

Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that **antichrist** shall come, **even now are there many antichrists**; whereby we know that it is the last time. (19) **They went out from us, but they were not of us**; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us. (20) **But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.** (21) **I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.** (22) **Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.** (23) **Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: (but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.**



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1 John 2:24-27 | Walking in the Anointing

Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father. (25) And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life. (26) These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you. (27) But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

