

Sermon Application Study

April 26, 2026

Target Passage → 1 John 2:1-6

1. What is John's goal in writing this letter?
2. What is a propitiation? What's the significance of Jesus being called "the righteous" as it pertains to his propitiation?
3. How is a Christian confession before God different than any other sort of confession of sins done apart from Christ?
4. In what sense is Jesus our advocate? What does he do?
5. How do we know if Christ is our advocate? How might we lie to ourselves about this?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → Romans 3:21-26, Hebrews 7:23-28

For Me →

1. How does the fact that Christ is our propitiation, not some offering you bring to God, change the way you approach God with your own sin?
2. Was there a time in your life when you walked in hypocrisy, claiming Christ but walking in darkness? What changed for you?

For the Mission →

John says Jesus is the propitiation of the sins of the whole world. How do you understand this and how does it apply to missions?

PRAYER FOCUS

Are there ways you are walking in the darkness? Are you fooling yourself with excuses? Go before the Lord boldly in confession, knowing Christ is our propitiation and advocate.