

Exercise #2 in Interpretation

1 John 2:1-6

1. Who authored this letter? Who was he? Who was his primary audience?
2. Meditate on verse 1.
3. What is the significance of the definite article in verse 1?
4. What is the meaning of “propitiation” and what does it mean for you personally?
5. Search on John’s use of κόσμος kosmos {kos'-mos} (translated “world” in verse 2) in his Gospel and his letters. Make a list. Does John use κόσμος with different meanings? What different meanings? Make a list.
6. Think logically and hard . . . what are the implications of Jesus Christ dying for every human being?
7. Using Rule #3, the Analogy of Scripture, and the tools provided, for whom did Christ die?
8. Using verses 3-5, how can one be certain that they are truly saved?
9. What commandments is John speaking of?
10. If Jesus was the *propitiation* of my sins what obligation have I inherited?

