

1<sup>st</sup> John #51 “Don’t be Fooled” 1<sup>st</sup> John 3:6-9

The believer who abides in Christ who’s walking by means of the Holy Spirit and filled with the Holy Spirit, can’t sin just as Jesus Christ walking by means of the Holy Spirit and filled with the Holy Spirit, didn’t sin.

Only a born-again believer with God’s righteousness in him who is filled with the Holy Spirit can practice God’s righteousness experientially through walking by means of the Holy Spirit resulting in the fruit of the Spirit being manifested in his life.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our role-model as the pioneer of the Church Age spiritual life and we are the members of the assembly line in following Jesus, the prototype in loving, serving and worshipping God the Father as He did.

John’s not saying those who love the world and don’t have the love of the Father in them are not saved; he’s saying either they don’t understand their relationship with God or if they do, they’re choosing to neglect it, so that their relationship with God is not motivating them to intimate fellowship with God’s Son and therefore, they’re following Satan’s genius plan of thinking selfishly.

In hearing the Gospel from the written Word, the seed planted in us is the message about the Living Word, Jesus Christ and when we’re abiding in Jesus Christ through His Word, He’s abiding in us through His Word.

Without momentum from a positive attitude toward God’s truth, the believer serves Satan rather than our Lord Jesus Christ.