

You Know When It's Real

THE LIVING REALITY (1 John 1:1-4)

Introduction:

Three foundational facts about the life that is real:

I. This Life is _____ . (1 John 1:1)

A. Revealed in _____

“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.” (Romans 1:20)

B. Revealed in His _____

“God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in His Son.” (Hebrews 1:1)

C. Revealed in His _____, _____

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” (John 1:1)

“And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14)

II. This Life is _____ . (1 John 1:2)

- How can I experience eternal life?

“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.” (John 5:24)

“Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God.” (1 John 5:1).

“But these have been written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in Him.” (John 20:31)

- A person who is born of God...
 - Lives a _____ life (1 John 2:29)
 - Does not _____ sin (1 John 3:9)
 - Loves _____ and their _____ (1 John 4:7; 5:1)
 - Overcomes the _____ (1 John 5:4)

III. This Life is _____ . (1 John 1:3-4)

A. This Word of Life is _____.

“That you also may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ.” (1 John 1:3)

- The word **fellowship** (Greek, *koinonia*) signifies a mutual participation in a common cause or shared life.

“God is faithful, through whom you were called into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.” (1 Corinthians 1:9)

“The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.” (2 Corinthians 13:14)

B. The Word of Life is _____.

“These things we write, so that our joy may be made complete.” (1 John 1:4)

- Fellowship is Christ's answer to the _____ of life; Joy is Christ's answer to the _____ of life.

“These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.” (John 15:11)

“For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 14:17)