

20 July 2014: Preached by Preacher Clement Chew  
Topic: **What the Bible says of Christian still sinning**  
Scripture Text: 1 John 1:5-10

1. Sin is defined as either falling short of God's standard or trespassing the laws of God. Everyone in this world is a sinner before God. The Bible tells us the wages of sin is death. A Christian is delivered from the penalty of sin by trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ who died on the cross to take away our sins.

2. Some professing Christians wrongly think that they can continue in their sins since Jesus Christ has already forgiven all their sins. The Apostle John was addressing this issue in the First Epistle of John as the Church was attacked by Gnosticism which teaches about secret knowledge of salvation and the flesh is evil.

3. In v.5, the Bible tells us very clearly that God has no sin. God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. God is all true, all pure, all just and all holiness. In v.6, Christians are to walk in fellowship with God. Hence, Christians must not walk in sin as God has no sin.

4. A person who professes to be a Christian and yet continues to walk in sin is a liar. He actually deceives himself for he is not a Christian at all. A true Christian will not continue in sin. A mark of a Christian is also that he will want to fellowship with other Christians who are in the light. There is mutual encouragement as they walk in the light of God.

5. As a Christian, we are not perfect and do fall into sin. In v. 9, a Christian will then confess his sin sincerely before God and strive to stop sinning by God's grace. His repentance is sincere and genuine. Thank God that He is just and faithful to forgive our sins when we confess before Him sincerely.