



## Study Guide

### The Savior's Heart

Week 3: 3/10/24

1 John 1:5-2:1

#### Announcements

**Egg Hunt: March 16th 11am.** Egg hunt at Lake Springs, open to LS Kids families and families in the community. Invite your friends!

**Middle School Hangout: March 17th.** The middle schoolers will be heading to Partee Shack in Raleigh to play putt-putt golf

**Campus Beautification Day: March 23rd.** Come help us clean up and fix up the campus in preparation for Easter. Registration on the website

#### Icebreaker

If you could have any fictional character as your advocate in court, who would you choose and why?

#### Introduction

**Read:** 1 John 1:5-10

What does it mean to be a Christian?

What does it practically mean to walk in the light vs walking in darkness? Is there more to it than just believing in Jesus?

Verse 8 says that if we claim we are without sin, the truth is not in us. None of us would claim that we are without sin, but the way we live can show something different. How can we be honest and vulnerable with our sin, rather than living in a way that acts like we have no sin?

**Watch:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BQKQ5xTbYZU>

Like Jean Valjean, we are guilty and deserving of punishment, but we have received grace, identity, and redemption through Jesus. Reflect on this scene from *Les Misérables*. When have you received grace from somebody in your life (outside of Jesus)?

It can be difficult to talk about times that we have 'got it right', but there are things we can learn from these instances. When have you personally given somebody grace that didn't deserve it?

**Read:** 1 John 2:1

The word translated as "advocate" is the Greek word *paraclete*. This word can be translated as advocate, counselor, helper, companion, and comforter. Which of these descriptions of Jesus resonate with you most and why?

Which of these descriptions of Jesus do you find to be the most difficult to embrace?

What practical steps can you take this week to rely more fully on Jesus as your advocate, counselor, helper, companion, and comforter?