Lesson 4
TEXT: 1 John 2:3-9
Theme: True Fellowship is Walking the Talk

1. 1 John 2:3
A. Remember, this is not a sign to know if you are saved, but a sign that a believer is right with God.
   “…we do know that we know him”, can be explained in the following manner:
   “…we do know that we (love) him”
   “…we do know that we (fellowship with) him”
   “…we do know that we (walk with) him”
   “…we do know that we (abide in) him”
   “…we do know that we (walk in the light with) him”
   …..If we keep his commandments”

B. What are his commandments?
   1. “his word” however revealed (God’s divine will) 1John 2:5
   2. The Law of Christ as revealed in Galatians 6:2. Love is revealed by bearing one another’s burdens.
   3. Specifically, it is 1 John 3:11, which says “… we should love one another” 1 John 2:7. The old commandment to love was Jesus to his disciples which they heard about, but was now written. The new written was the old heard.

   11. “He that saith, I know him…” 1 John 2:4
       You can say anything you want, but it doesn’t make it true. You can say you are walking in fellowship with the Lord, but the Lord says if you don’t obey his commandments; you don’t (love, walk, or abide) in him.

   111. “He that saith he abideth in him” 1 John 2:6
       John 15:4-12 also tell us what it means to abide in him. Christians, not lost people, ought to walk as he walk.

   1V. “He that saith he is in the light” 1 John 2:9
       If “is” is now, then “hateth” is now, and he is now in “darkness” (sin). Hatred is a sign that he is walking in the flesh. Galatians 5:19-20