

Confidence

Part 2: Steady as You Go

If anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.
- 1 John 2:5-6 (NIV)

Those who LIVE IN Jesus will LOOK LIKE Jesus

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth.
- 1 John 1:5-6 (NIV)

Three dangers that keep you in the dark:

HATE that HARDENS you

Anyone who loves their brother and sister lives in the light, and there is nothing in them to make them stumble. But anyone who hates a brother or sister is in the darkness and walks around in the darkness. They do not know where they are going, because the darkness has blinded them.
- 1 John 2:10-11 (NIV)

DESIRES that DOOM you

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them.

For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world.

The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.
- 1 John 2:15-17 (NIV)

LIARS who MISLEAD you

Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist—denying the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.
- 1 John 2:22-23 (NIV)

I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray.
- 1 John 2:26 (NIV)

Be PERSISTENT not PERFECT

*As for you, see that **what you have heard from the beginning** remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father. And this is what he promised us—eternal life...**continue in him**, so that when he appears, **we may be confident and unashamed** before him at his coming.*
- 1 John 2:24-25, 28 (NIV)