

THE PRACTICE

1 John 2:3-6

I. THERE IS HIS PRINCIPLE TO EMBRACE (v. 3)

A. The Claim is Made—*And by this we know that we have come to know him...*

B. The Condition to Meet—*if we keep his commandments*

II. THERE IS OUR PROFESSION TO EXAMINE (vv. 4-5a)

A. The Evidence of a False Profession (v. 4)—*does not keep his commandments...*

B. The Evidence of a True Profession (v. 5a)—*keeps his word*

III. THERE IS A PATTERN TO EXPECT (vv. 5b-6)

A. Connection with Christ is the Root (v. 5b-6a)—*whoever says he abides in him...*

B. Imitation of Christ is the Fruit (6b)—*ought to walk in the same way in which he walked*