

Study Objectives



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The Sabbath Rest Experiential Christianity

- Open
- Web Site Materials
 - Resources, Videos, PDF, Video & Sessions
- John Contrast to Prophetic
- 1 John 2. 3-6
- 1 John 2. 7-11

1Jo 2:6 he who says he abides in him ought to **walk in the same way** in which he walked.



Study Method



- Methodical Bible Study: Basic & Advanced Step
- Kipling in Experience
- Epistolary Method: Experience of Resident Life
- Know by the Knowing Experience

Blood of Christ



- Incarnate God; Birth God/Man; New Creation
- Reality of the Blood; Human; Man
- Curse/LIFE
- Blood of Old/Blood of New
- Cry of the Heart "Abba Father"; Peace with God
- Experience of LIFE

Fellowship of LIFE



- Have LIFE
- Testimony of the Father
- Having Believed Evidence of Faith
- Promise of the Spirit

Sabbath Rest




- Definitions
- Synonyms
- Apostolic/Scriptural Unfolding – NT Epistles Interpretive Lens
- Exhortational Foundation

*I never asked you to live the Christian life,
I came to share MY LIFE with you.*



I give to you a new
commandment

Anne Murray
Go Tell It On
The Mountain



O Come All Ye Faithful

Mormon Tabernacle Choir



Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

1 John 4:1



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If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the Lord does not take place or come true, that is a message the Lord has not spoken. That prophet has spoken presumptuously, so do not be alarmed.

Deuteronomy 18:22

**The 3 Part Test of
a Prophet from
Deuteronomy 18:20-22:**

1. They must speak in the name of The Lord only. (No other god)
2. Their message must align with God's revealed truth in Scripture.
3. Their predictions of future events must come true exactly as predicted.

1Ti 2:5 For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,

https://www.blueletterbible.org/faq/don_stewart/don_stewart_1335.cfm

The gospel according to John
FIND LIFE IN HIS NAME





TEST THE SOURCE.

LOOK FOR FRUIT.

FRUIT of Knowing HIM

NOT

Knowledge of Events

Identify Trust a Prophet, the Person or the Prophecy?

1Jo 4:1 ¶ Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are of God; for many false prophets have gone out into the world. **2** By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit which confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God, **3** and every spirit which does not confess Jesus is not of God. This is the spirit of antichrist, of which you heard that it was coming, and now it is in the world already.

4 ¶ Little children, you are of God, and have overcome them; for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

5 They are of the world, therefore what they say is of the world, and the world listens to them. **6** We are of God. Whoever knows God listens to us, and he who is not of God does not listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

7 ¶ Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God.

8 He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. **9** In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. **10** In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins. **11** Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. **12** No man has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us. **13** By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his own Spirit.

14 ¶ And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. **15** Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. **16** So we know and believe the love God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

17 ¶ In this is love perfected with us, that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so are we in this world. **18** There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love. **19** We love, because he first loved us. **20** If any one says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. **21** And this commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brother also.

John's methodology and goal vs Contemporary Prophetic methodology and goal

Contemporary Prophetic point to History and current events/occurrences for signs while John points to the evidence of actual experience of LIFE in you to bring you to maturity.

Prophecy is not an assembly of History and contemporary Events. It primarily is the teaching of 'the so great salvation'.

Who is it demanding our time and attention?

Contemporary Prophecy focuses us on 'look here' 'look there' and 'connect the dots/events/images and generates fear, 'gnostic knowing' dependence upon man and knowledge of history current events etc. Those that 'know' and those that don't 'know'. Prepare and get ready and don't be among those that are not. Fear of 'salvation is at stake' implied.

John focuses us on the Divine Person/His indwelling/His expression in us manifest LIFE and generates assurance, confidence/ peace and joyful dependent reliance upon the one who has saved us. ALL KNOW ALL have what they need etc. Sabbath Rest, maturity, growth come by Knowing Him not expertise in Prophetic command of content.

Prophet. What is their testimony? Are they a living epistle? Do they know Christ as Savior/LIFE. Measure of Maturity – Knowing they currently have ETERNAL LIFE and Knowing being kept from Sin by the power of HIS LIFE Why are we listening to/giving space in our lives to those that are not a clear witness and testimony of LIFE.

PEACE vs Accomplishment Assurance of LIFE vs Reasoned Probability