**A Journey through the Bible**

**I John**

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Part 1

**I. Some Things Worth Remembering:**

1. John wrote five New Testament books
2. All of his books were done toward the end of the first century
3. These three letters were written during a storm of heresy

**II. Why was it Written?**

I find four stated reasons:

1. To bring back the joy — chapter 1:4
2. To help them live victorious lives — chapter 2:1
3. To help them become informed of the deceivers — chapter 2:26
4. To give them assurance of their salvation — chapter 5:13

**III. Who Received the Letter?**Not Sure

1. The Gospel, which John wrote, tells how to have eternal life
2. This letter will help that same person understand what that life in Christ includes. Fellowship with God includes: joy, purity, discernment & confidence

**IV. Some Tough Verses:**

1. Problem of extremes — chapter 1:5-10
2. Problem of commandments — chapters 2:3; 3:22-24
3. Problem of last hour antichrists — chapter 2:18
4. Problem of sin — chapters 3:6, 7-8; 5:18a
5. Problem of relationships — chapters 3:14-15; 5:16