

**HOW CAN WE KNOW... #1**  
**"Who God is?"**  
**I John 2:1-6 / May 15, 2016**

**Intro – Google and the pursuit of knowledge (4.7 billion times a day)**

**To know who God is we have to deal with sin.**

**John's word on sin:**

- 1. DON'T (2:1a)**
  - a. God is light (1:5&6)**
  - b. The lie (1:8 and 2:4)**
- 2. BUT IF YOU DO, JESUS CHRIST THE RIGHTEOUS**
  - a. Advocate (2:1b, see also Romans 8:34)**
  - b. Propitiation for sin (2:2)**
- 3. BUT DON'T**
  - a. Keep (2:3&5, see also 1:9)**
  - b. Abide and walk (2:6)**

**Close – the pursuit of knowing God**

**Prayers for ECC**

- Pray for our summer Eastview Kids camps. Pray for plenty of godly adult volunteers and for lots of children to sign up. Pray that God will use these formative weeks to shape the church and leaders of the future.
- Pray for this week's strategic planning retreat. Pray that God's Spirit will direct conversations, prayers, and Scriptures to lead Eastview into the next five years and beyond.
- Pray for our search for a Jr. High Pastor in Edge. Pray for Brooke, Christine, and Mendy as they carry the load of ministry without this needed teammate. Pray that God will lead us to the person who will help us impact the Jr. High community in McLean County.
- Spend some time talking with God about the sins in your life. Confess them. Reject them. Commit to know God better by walking away from them.
- Pray that God will reveal himself to you this week in your desire to keep his commandments. Read the 10 commandments from Exodus 20:1-17. What do these commands help you know about God.