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JOHN
1 John 2:1-6

Many people don't like the real Jesus or His commandments. So, they make up their own version of "Jesus" and put their own words in His mouth; thus creating an idol who tells them exactly what they want to hear.

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Sometimes, Christians have a tendency to divorce theology from love or vice versa, but John expresses both love of sound doctrine and love of the people.

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Don't sin.

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Can you still sin even though
you are a Christian?

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We are to confess our sin, repent
from the sin, and rest in the
Source of forgiveness for our sins.

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Romans 8:33-34

Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

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1 Peter 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit,

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Zechariah 3:1-5

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Christians are not only people who
received the mercy of God, but a
people who continue to receive the
mercy of God through Jesus Christ.

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In God's court, the only ones who
will be seen as innocent are those
who admit that they are guilty.

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1 John 4:9

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.

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Propitiation

Gods righteous demand for justice is satisfied by Jesus' sacrificial life and death upon the cross.

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Romans 3:25-26

whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

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This use of the word "world" refers to all believers all over the world and in all times.

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John 17:9

I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours.

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2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

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Ezekiel 36:25-27

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What are the commandments
of which John is speaking?

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John 14:21-24

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Obedience to God reveals
one's love of God.

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John 17:20-21

"I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me."

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