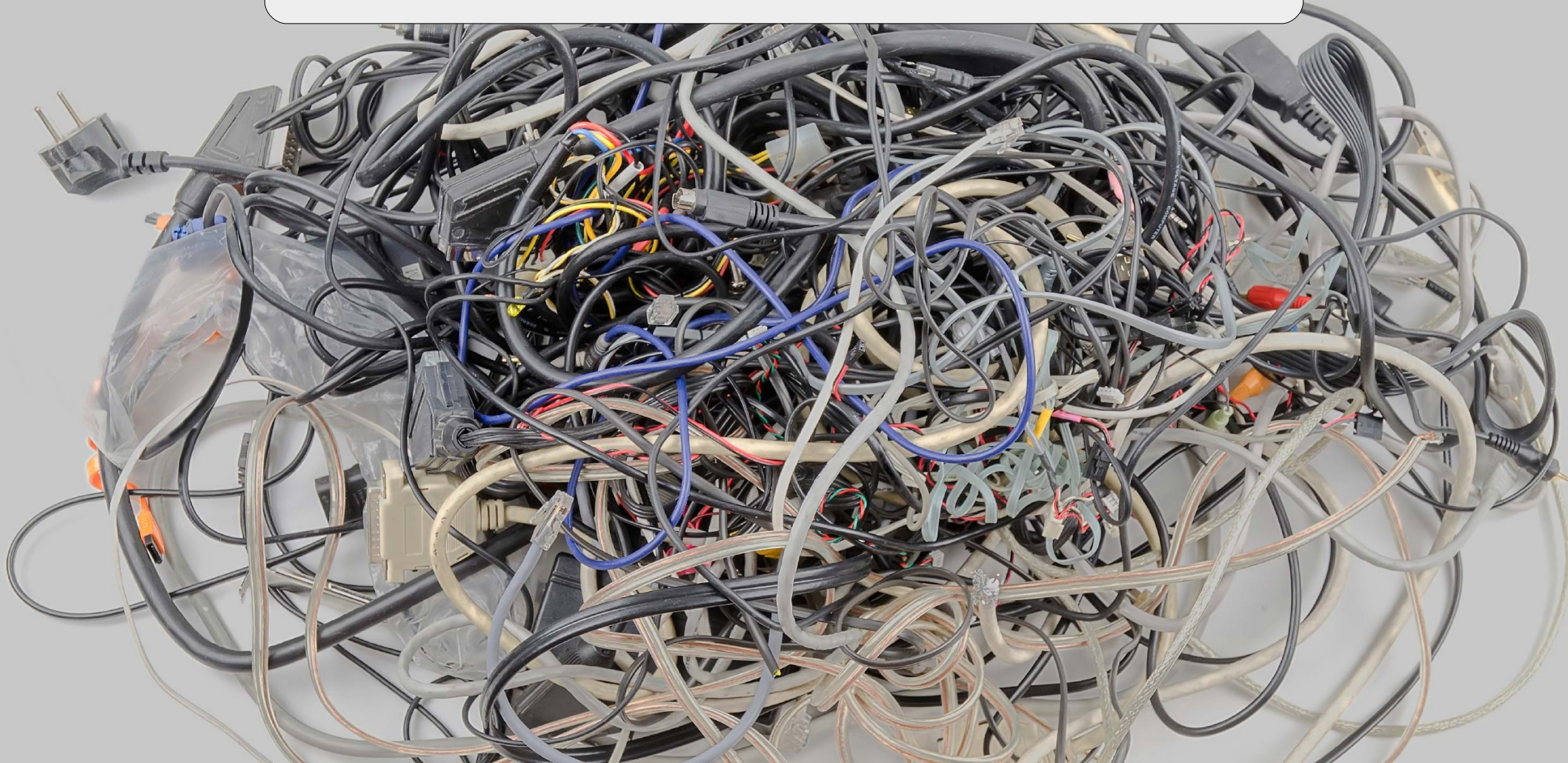


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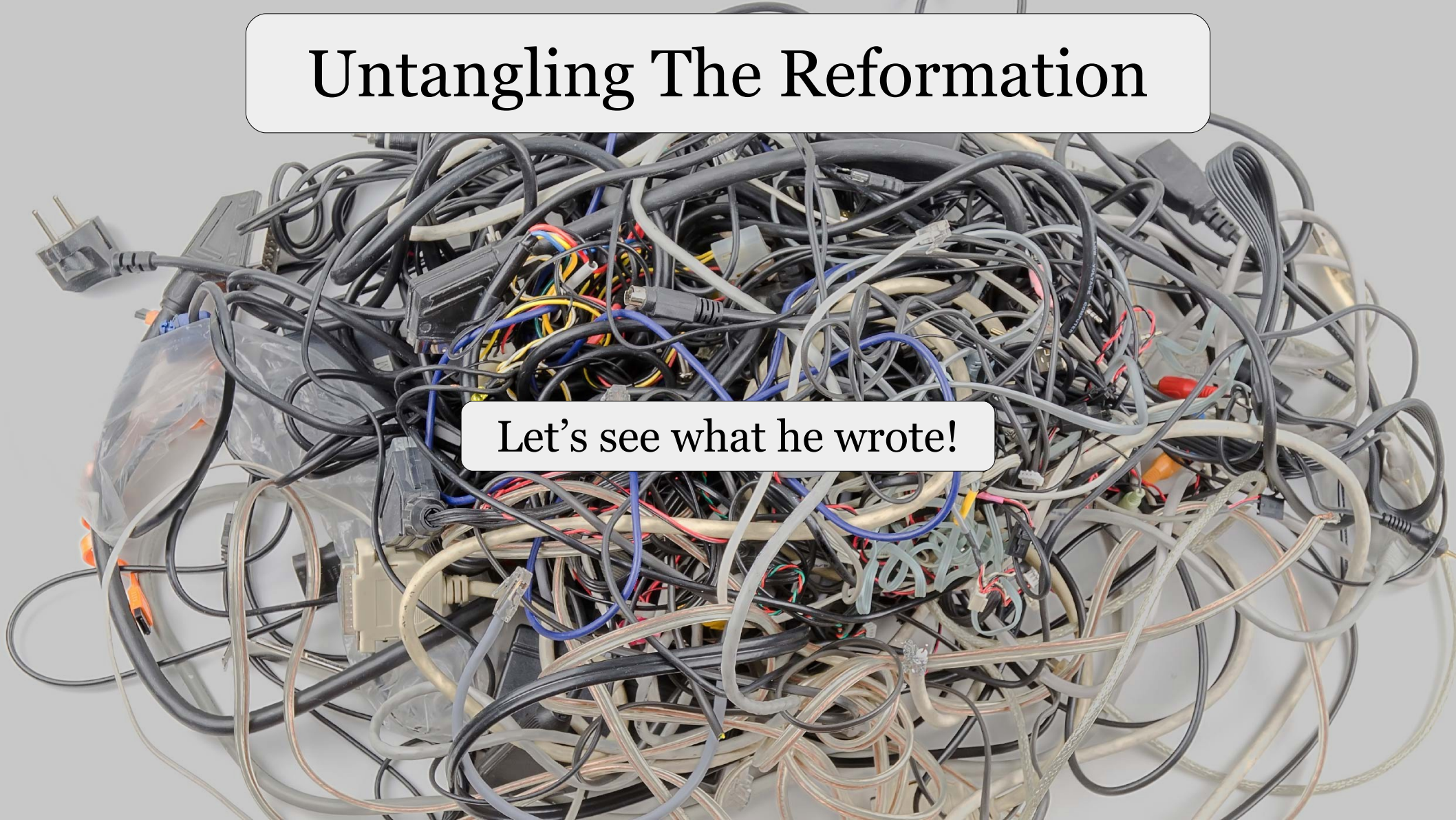
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Let's see what he wrote!



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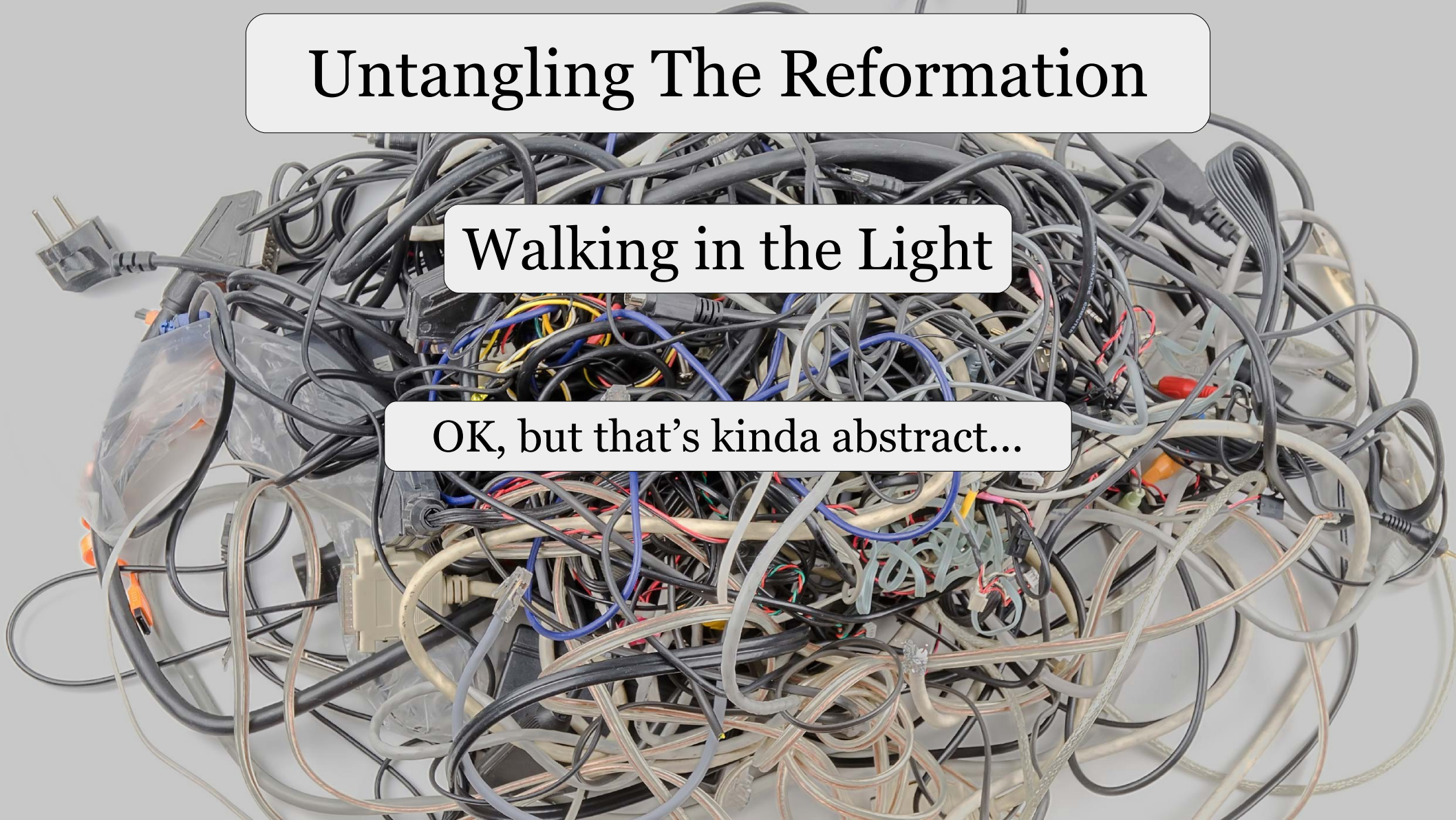
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John explains as he goes on



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- 1) Love your brothers & sisters
- 2) Do not love the world
- 3) Keep his commandments
- 4) Practice righteousness



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1Jn 2:9 Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates a brother or sister is still in the darkness.

1Jn 2:10 Anyone who loves their brother and sister lives in the light, and there is nothing in them to make them stumble.

1Jn 2:11 But anyone who hates a brother or sister is in the darkness and walks around in the darkness. They do not know where they are going, because the darkness has blinded them.



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1Jn 2:15 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them.

1Jn 2:16 For everything in the world--the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life--comes not from the Father but from the world.

1Jn 2:17 The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.



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1Jn 2:3 We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands.

1Jn 2:4 Whoever says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person.

1Jn 2:5 But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him:

1Jn 2:6 Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.



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4. Practice righteousness



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1Jn 2:29 If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.



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1Jn 3:7 Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

1Jn 3:8 Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.



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