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Connect

1 John 1:1-4 (NKJV)

1 John 1:3 (NKJV)

3 . . . that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

1. The Basis of Fellowship

1 John 1:1-2 (NKJV)

- **Jesus is Real in Eternity.**

1 John 1:1a (NKJV)

1 That which was from the beginning, . . .

John 1:1-2 (NKJV)

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 He was in the beginning with God.

- **Jesus is Real in Experience.**

1 John 1:1b (NKJV)

1 . . . which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life--

- **Jesus is Real in Expression.**

1 John 1:2 (NKJV)

2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us--

2. The Blessing of Fellowship

1 John 1:3b (NKJV)

- **The Horizontal Blessing.**

1 John 1:3 (NKJV)

3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; . . .

- **The Vertical Blessing.**

1 John 1:3 (NKJV)

3 . . . and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:9 (NKJV)

9 God *is* faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

3. The Beauty of Fellowship

1 John 1:4 (NKJV)

4 And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.

Psalms 16:11 (NKJV)

11 You will show me the path of life; In Your presence *is* fullness of joy; At Your right hand *are* pleasures forevermore.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NKJV)

9 Two *are* better than one, Because they have a good reward for their labor.

10 For if they fall, one will lift up his companion. But woe to him *who is* alone when he falls, For *he has* no one to help him up. 11 Again, if two lie down together, they will keep warm; But how can one be warm *alone*? 12 Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him. And a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Billy Graham

"Church goers are like coals in a fire. When they cling together they keep the flame glowing. When they separate they die out."