

# Fullness Received

## *Lesson 12 – Outline*

1. First John 1:9 has been traditionally taught that every time you sin, you have to confess it in order to receive forgiveness.

**“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9).**

- A. If you have to confess every sin before it's forgiven, nobody could retain their salvation.
  - B. This just can't be what it means.
2. First John 1:9 refers to when you first come to the Lord.
    - A. This verse instructs the unbeliever to be born again, not the believer to confess every sin all the time.
    - B. You confess that you're a sinner in need of forgiveness and are cleansed from all unrighteousness by receiving your brand-new, born-again spirit.
  3. First John 1:9 can also mean cleansing the effects of sin from a believer's soul and body.
    - A. Your spirit isn't affected by sin, but your soul and body are.
    - B. Sin gives the devil a legal right to work his death into your life because you yielded yourself to him (Rom. 6:16).
    - C. By confessing, you take the salvation, the forgiveness, the holiness, and the righteousness that's already a reality in your spirit, and which never fluctuated when you failed, and draw it out into your body and soul.
    - D. This literally drives the devil out and takes his place away, because he no longer has rights and privileges in your life once you repent and turn away from what you've done.
  4. Understanding your eternal redemption will cause you to live holy.
    - A. You'll desire to live holy so that nothing will ever dull you or keep you from perceiving these great truths and His love.
    - B. Holiness is a fruit—not a root—of salvation (Rom. 6:22).
    - C. “Holiness” doesn't produce God moving in your life, but your external actions of holiness are a result of understanding the righteous nature of your born-again spirit.
  5. This has given me a deep abiding security in my relationship with God.

A. I'm His workmanship.

**“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them” (Eph. 2:10).**

B. God loves me and I'm never separated from His love.

**“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?...For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Rom. 8:35 and 38-39).**

C. In my spirit, God has already given me His full measure of love.

**“And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace” (John 1:16).**

D. You'll be so appreciative of what God has done that you'll live holier in your actions accidentally than you've ever lived on purpose.

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*Lesson 12 – Discipleship Questions*

1. What does Ephesians 4:24 reveal that our born-again spirits were created in?
2. According to Ephesians 1:13, what did the Holy Spirit do with this purity the instant we believed?
3. Read Hebrews 10:10, 14; and 12:23. Can the sin we commit now in our physical actions penetrate or contaminate our born-again spirits?
4. According to 1 John 3:9, can our born-again spirits sin?
5. What does Hebrews 9:12 reveal about the redemption Christ obtained for us?
  - A. It's temporary.
  - B. It's eternal.
  - C. It's contingent.
  - D. All of the above.
  - E. None of the above.
6. According to John 4:24, how does God see us?
7. Ephesians 1:6 says that we are?
8. What part of us is in the beloved?
9. According to 1 John 1:9, what is our part?
10. What is God's part?
11. Who is 1 John 1:9 primarily directed toward?
12. What happens when an unbeliever confesses their sins and repents?
13. What happens when a believer confesses their sins and repents?
14. Notice the word "whom" in Romans 6:16. According to this verse, to whom can we be servants?

15. If we yield ourselves to sin, whom are we serving?
16. What fruit does this produce in our lives?
17. If we yield ourselves to obedience, whom are we serving?
18. According to Romans 6:16, what fruit does this produce in our lives?
19. Fill in the blanks of the following personal confession based on Ephesians 2:10. I am God's \_\_\_\_\_, created in Christ Jesus unto \_\_\_\_\_, which God hath before ordained that I should \_\_\_\_\_ in them.
20. According to Romans 8:35 and 38-39, is there any external person or thing that can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord?
21. In John 1:16, whose fullness have we received?
22. How much of His fullness does this verse reveal we have received?
  - A. Some.
  - B. Much.
  - C. All.
  - D. None.
23. Fill in the blanks of this personal confession based on John 1:16 and Colossians 2:9-10. I have received \_\_\_\_\_ of the fullness of Jesus Christ. In Him, I am \_\_\_\_\_. I'm full of God. One-third of me is wall-to-wall Holy Spirit! Hallelujah!

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## *Lesson 12 – Scriptures*

**“And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness” (Eph. 4:24).**

**“In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise” (Eph. 1:13).**

**“By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all...For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified” (Heb. 10:10 and 14)**

**“To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect” (Heb. 12:23).**

**“Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God” (1 John 3:9).**

**“Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us” (Heb. 9:12).**

**“Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?” (Rom. 6:16)**

**“God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24).**

**“For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace” (Rom. 6:14).**

**“To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved” (Eph. 1:6).**

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**“But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life” (Rom. 6:22).**

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