Being Forgiven

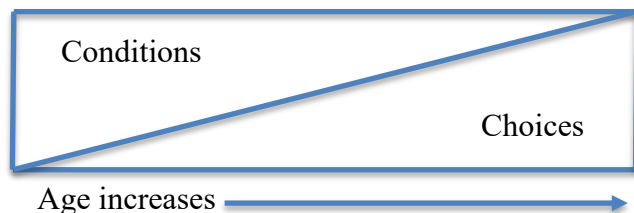The Apostle John describes our walk as…

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   Conditions

   Choices

   Age increases →

2. Sin doesn't hurt me.

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      • Giving all to God

   c. We choose who we serve. (vs. 12,13)

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3. I have not sinned.

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Characteristics of Confession:

   a. Agreeing with God.

   b. Admitting I've sinned.

   c. Honesty/transparency

   d. Abandoning sin.

   e. Cleansing from sin.

A Credible Walk

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A Comforting Walk   1 John 1

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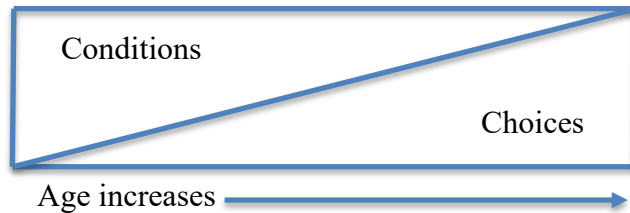The Apostle John describes our walk as…

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