



1st John

LOVE AND DISCERNMENT

No Secrets In The Light

1 John 1:5-2:2

Background

Author:

Likely Apostle John

Date:

85-90 AD

Format:

A Sermon Written to be shared with multiple churches

Why?

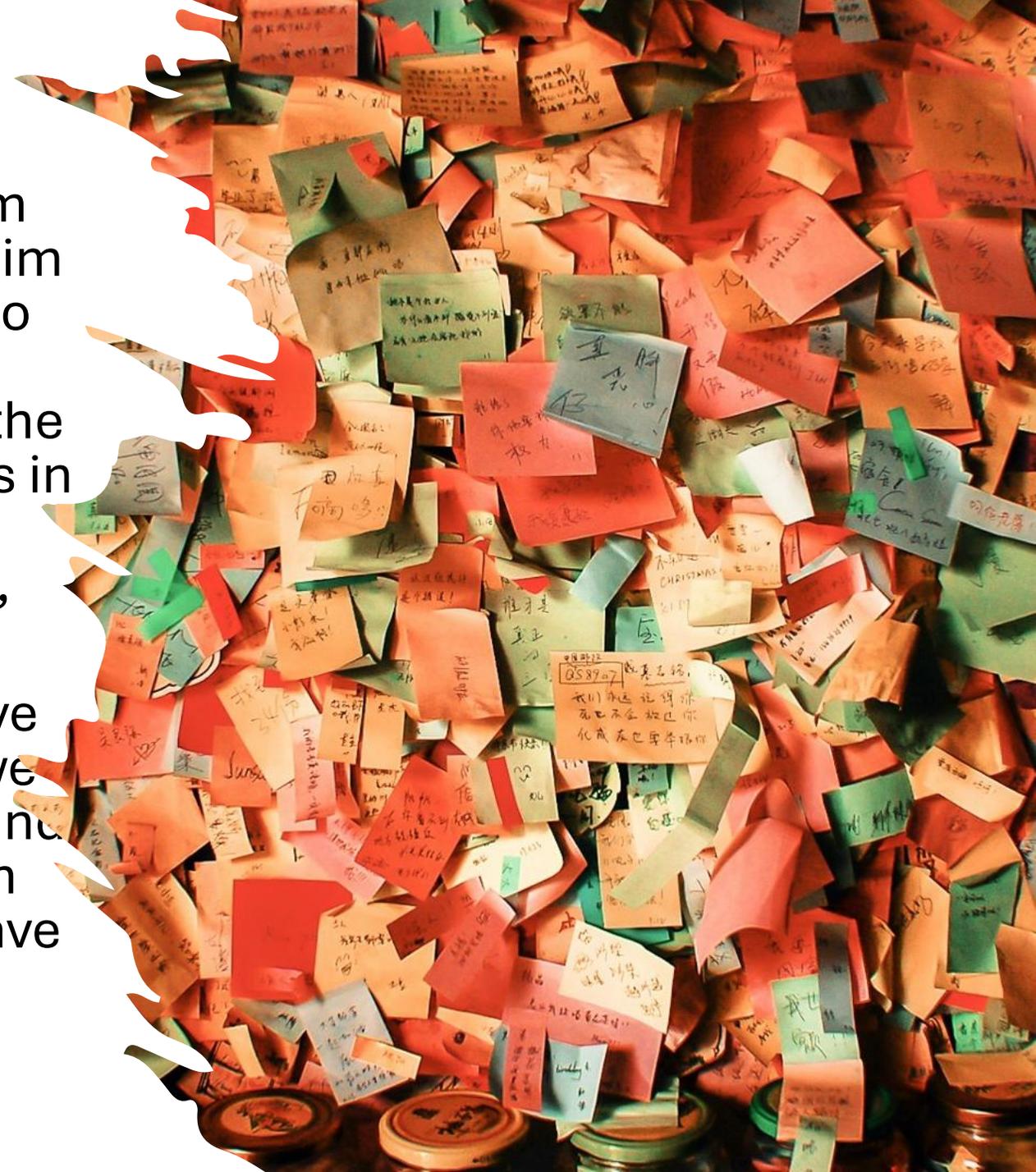
To help share the truth that the apostles knew with the next generation of believers and leaders.



1 John 1:5-10

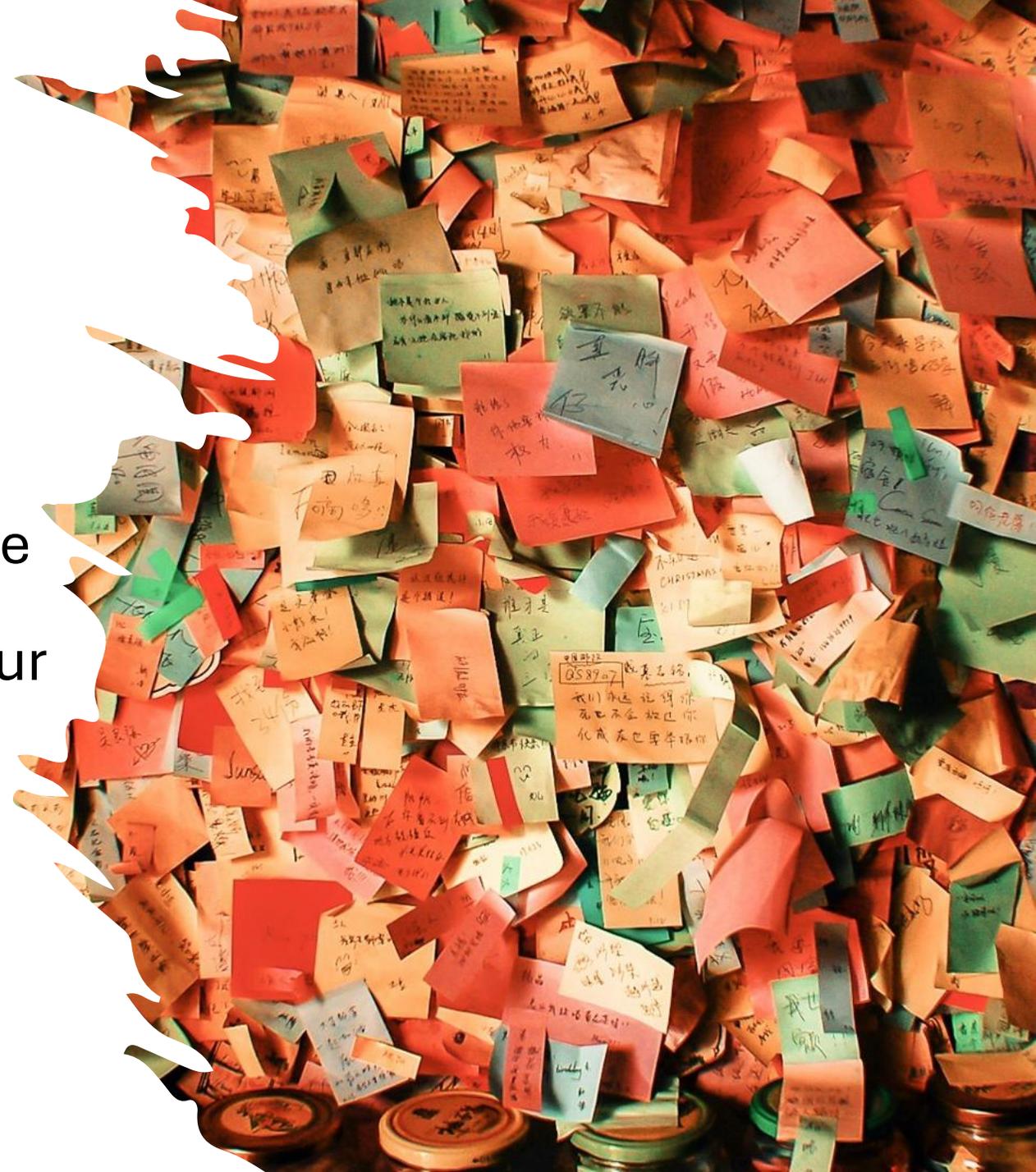
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⁸ If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.



1 John 2:1-2

2:1 My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. ² He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.



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A wall covered in many colorful sticky notes (orange, green, yellow, and white) with handwritten text in Chinese. The notes are densely packed and cover most of the wall. At the bottom of the image, there are several jars or containers, possibly containing more notes or related items. The overall scene suggests a place of prayer or reflection, where people have shared their thoughts and requests.

God Is The Light That Reveals

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Will We Choose To Hide?
Or Be Revealed?

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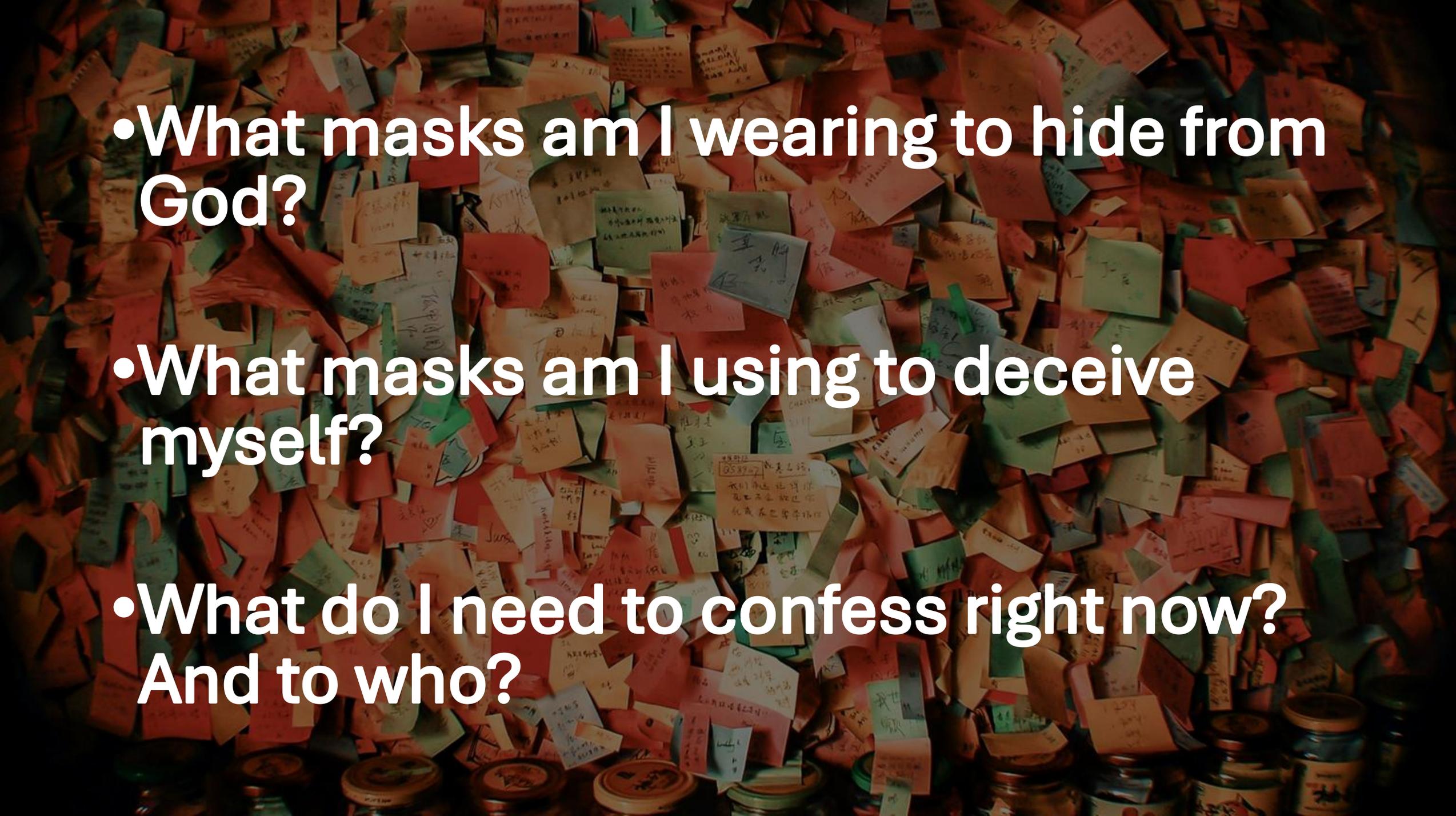
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Jesus Is The One Who Cleanses Us



• What masks am I wearing to hide from God?

• What masks am I using to deceive myself?

• What do I need to confess right now?
And to who?