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Know It

- **1 John 2:1** – it can be known, otherwise how can it be dealt with?
- Assuming is Not Knowing
 - We must not assume we are in sin – sinful nature? (cf. **Romans 7:9; Ezekiel 18:20; 1 John 3:7-8**); inability? (cf. **1 Corinthians 10:13**)
 - The law reveals sin, and it can be known – **1 John 3:4; Romans 7:7, 12**
 - Forgiveness must be sought – **Isaiah 55:6-7**
- Pray for Knowledge – **Lev. 4:13-14; Psalm 119:17-19; 139:23-24**

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- Repentance Requires Knowledge of Sin
 - **Acts 8:20-23** – would Simon know what “this” was?
 - By definition – *metanoēō* – *meta*, “after,” implying “change,” *noeo*, “to perceive” (VINE)
 - Repentance is granted through knowledge – **Acts 5:31; 11:18; Luke 24:47**

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- Repentance is not Penitence
 - *Metanoia* – “lit., “to perceive afterwards” (VINE)
 - *Metamelomai* – “*meta*, as in No. 1 [“after,” implying “change”], and *melo*, “to care for,” (VINE) (cf. **Matthew 27:3** – Judas)
 - True repentance is a change of the entire man – **2 Corinthians 7:8-11** – Intellect, Emotion, Will (leading to action; cf. **Luke 3:8-14**)

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 - *Not that we have sinned; not our sinfulness; not that we may have sinned.*
 - *homologeō* – “lit., “to speak the same thing” (*homos*, “same,” *lego*, “to speak”)...(b) “to confess by way of admitting oneself guilty of what one is accused of, the result of inward conviction,” (VINE)

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 - **Acts 19:18-19** – confessing deeds.
 - **Psalm 32:3-5** – from hiding to admitting. (cf. **Proverbs 28:13**)
 - Not “total recall” of specific moments and amounts – but the drunkard must confess his drunkenness, the liar his lying, etc.

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- Forgiveness Must be Asked for in Prayer – **1 John 1:9; Acts 8:22; Mark 2:5-7; Matthew 7:7; 1 John 5:14-15**
- Prayer Can be Requested of Others – **Acts 8:24; James 5:16; 1 John 5:14-17**

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