The Eyewitness Declaration

1st John 1:1-4 (series #2)

Intro: a character sketch of the Apostle John - Mk. 3:13-17, Lk. 9:51-56, Matt. 20:20-28, Jn. 19:25-27

I. The Source of John's Declaration v. 1

- A. "from the beginning" John 1:1; 8:58
- B. "which we have heard, seen..."

II. The Subject of John's Declaration v. 2

- A. "the life was manifested" John 1:14, 18
- B. "and we have seen"

III. The Purposes of John's Declaration vv. 3-4

- A. "That you may have fellowship..." v. 3
 - 1. "that which we have seen and heard"
 - a. Matthew 13:17
 - b. 1^{st} Peter 1:8
 - 2. "our fellowship is with the Father and..."
 - a. John 17:3
 - b. Matthew 7:23
- B. "That (y)our joy may be full" v. 4 - Luke 10:20

Conclusion: Matthew 7:21-23