

**2 JOHN 1-13 AS A GUIDE TO 1 JOHN**

**3 JOHN 1-14 AS A GUIDE TO 1 JOHN**

**1 JOHN 5:6-12 AS THE ANTECEDENT FOR 1 JOHN 5:13**

**NEW MATERIAL**

**God hears prayers that are according to His Will (5:14)**

**God grants prayers that are according to His Will (5:15)**

**God grants prayers requesting [extension of] life for believers not sinning a sin that leads to death (5:16a)**

**God does not grant [extension of] life in response to prayers for [extension of] life for believers sinning a sin that leads to death (5:16b)**

**John does not urge inquiring whether one's sin is a sin unto death [but urges that we pray for individuals—even those who may be guilty of such a sin (5:16c)**

The word mistranslated *pray* by the NKJ is *erōtaō* (to ask). Explanation:

A misunderstanding of this verse is central to Catholic teaching on mortal sins.

**All sin is unrighteousness, but not all sin is unto death (5:17)**

**The one who is born of God does not sin [specifically, the regenerate seed does not sin] and is protected against satanic attack; but the world is under the control of the wicked one (5:18-19)**

Cf. 1 John 3:9-10

**The Incarnated Son of God has given the apostles understanding; so they know Him (in Jesus Christ, His Son) who is true (5:20a)**

**This is the [experience of] God and [the experience] of everlasting life (5:20b)**

**The readers are to guard themselves from idols (5:21)**

**CONCLUSION**