GROWTH GROUP SERMON CURRICULUM



Assured | November 24th 2019 | 1 John 2:15-17

"... If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him." -1 John $2{:}15$

FROM THE TEXT

- Read 1 John 2:15-17. Break down the passage together. What is being commanded? What is being explained? What is the outcome? How does this passage fit into the larger theme of "assurance" in 1 John?
- Summarize or paraphrase 1 John 2:15-17 with a partner or two. How could you use these 3 verses to share the gospel with an adult? How could you use these verses to share the gospel with a child in grade school? Practice your delivery and teaching (for the adult and the child) with your partners.

FROM THE SERMON

- Live preaching happened at each campus this week. What challenged you most from the sermon you heard? What encouraged you most?
- The word "world" can more literally be understood as "worldliness." Worldliness can be described as: "Worldly values or attitudes that are opposed to God." What values and attitudes of the world do you find yourself being lured into the most and why?

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- The <u>antidote</u> for not loving the world is to <u>love the Father and do His will</u>. How can this antidote seem intimidating when we loose sight of the gospel? Flip it, how should we understand this antidote with confidence as we look to the finished work of Christ on our behalf (the gospel)?
- What worldly idols of the heart are you sensing God convicting you of the most through this sermon and group lesson? Write them out on a note card or your phone, and then schedule a few times this week to pray into those more.

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for each other as a group and the needs that were brought up. Praise the Father for His unconditional self-giving love we see in Jesus. May we only move forward in abiding love!