

GROWTH GROUP SERMON CURRICULUM

Assured | November 10, 2019 | 1 John 2:3-6

"Whoever says he abides in [Jesus] ought to walk in the same way in which [Jesus] walked." —1 John 2:6

FROM THE TEXT

- Read the Gospel of John chapter 15:1-17 out loud as a group. Now read 1 John 2:3-6. What comparisons and parallels can be made from these two passages written by the apostle John?
- How could you use the above passages to counsel/speak into another professing believer that was not concerned about consistent obedience to God's Word? Practice doing this with another group member.

FROM THE SERMON

- Pastor Chris stated: "Without obedience we really can't claim to be a believer." First, looking back at our text, why is this statement true? Secondly, how does this truth not discredit the foundational doctrine that we are saved by God's grace through faith and not our works/obedience (Eph. 2:8-10).
- What did you find helpful or convicting from the last point/part of the sermon, "Obedience is never perfect?"

FOR YOUR LIFE | APPLICATION | ACCOUNTABILITY

- How does one "abide" in Jesus? What does abiding in Jesus look like daily and weekly for an individual believer? How is truly "abiding" in Jesus distinct from someone simply claiming they "believe in God" or that they identify as "a Christian?"
- Should obedience/fruit in our life come from a place of love or fear? Explain your answer in light of the Gospel. (If you need help turn to 1 John 4:18-19)

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for one another. Love one another. Be reminded of the Gospel. Pray to abide in the True Vine!