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LIFEgroup Discussion Questions

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The Father Heart of God : Christ, Our Life

Text: 1 John 1.1-4

1. Who is the author of 1 John? What do we know about him? What tone does John have in this letter (2.1; 2.12, 2.18)?
2. Who is the Word of life (1.1)? What does John say about Jesus being the eternal God? When John mentions his experience with Jesus and that He was manifested to us what is John speaking of concerning Jesus (1.2)? What are the ways John has experienced Jesus specifically in hearing, seeing, looking upon Him and having physical contact with Him (1.1)? So, what do we conclude about the nature of Jesus from 1 John 1.1-2?
3. What was John trying to protect the believers from (2 John 7)? What were the false teachers teaching about Jesus? What does John say is the text of spiritual authenticity according to 1 John 4.1-3?
4. Why is the truth about Jesus being God and man so significant (1.3)? How do we come to know the Father and enjoy fellowship with Him and His Son Jesus?
5. What is John's fellowship with other believers based on (1.3)? How can we as a community best express the fellowship that the gospel creates? What would it look like to love one another in our everyday lives? Overall, how is your Christian community? What would you like to stay the same? What would you like to see changed?
6. One of the reasons John wrote this letter was to promote joy (1 John 1:4). What are some ways we can sustain our joy in God and others?

Pray.