

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Beware the Antichrist

Week of Oct 7, 2018

While this Discussion Guide is intended for use in a Riverwood Growth Group, it can be used personally as well. To get the most from these questions, we suggest you take 10-15 minutes to read, think, and pray through this Guide before participating in your Growth Group. The point of this guide is to not just "get through the questions" (there's no quiz at the end!) but to pursue Jesus and grow spiritually.

ICEBREAKER (Optional)

Who is your favorite fictional bad guy?

DISCUSSION

Read 1 John 4:1-6

1. a. In his message Sunday, Erin also taught from 1 John chapter 2, where John talks about "antichrists." How does John, here in chapter 4, say you can recognize an antichrist (false teacher)?

b. By the same token, how can you recognize true teaching?

c. Why was this distinction so important to John?

Read 1 John 2:22-23

2. How else does John say you can distinguish false teaching from true teaching?



Read Titus 3:3-11

3. a. What does Paul tell Titus to avoid?

b. What does Paul seem to be telling Titus to focus upon instead?

Read 1 John 2:24-27

4. How does John echo what Paul instructed Titus? In other words, what is a Jesus-follower supposed to focus upon?

MAKING IT PERSONAL

5. In light of these truths in Scripture, what does it look like for you to abide in Christ?

MEMORY VERSE

Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will abide in the Son and in the Father. (1 John 2:24)

PRAYER

Close in prayer by praying for one another, as well as spiritual protection of the Riverwood family.

