



Growth Groups: Week 2 (1/28-2/1)

Confession: What do you need to confess? (Here are some questions to help you examine ways you might not be believing the Gospel).

- What do you most highly value?
- What do you complain about the most?

Learning: What are you learning?

- What are you reading in the Bible? What did you learn about God? What did you learn about the Gospel? How is consistency?

Accountability: How can your Growth Group hold you accountable this week?

- **Who have you shared the Gospel with this week?**
- This ties in with the confession question. This is a practical way to walk together to identify sin and pursue sanctification together.
- How can your Growth Group help point each other to the Gospel daily? Come up with practical ways to follow through.

Prayer & Praise: How can we pray for you? What are you praising God for?

Scripture Memory: 1 John 1:9 – “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

1 John 1:5-2:2

Read text together & summarize it

Discuss on the text:

- John announces what he heard from Jesus: “God is light” (see 1:5). What does this statement mean?

- Three times in 1:5-2:2, John says “if we say...”. John is confronting false beliefs. What are the three false claims? (1:6, 1:8, 1:10)
- According to 1:5-6, why is it a lie to claim fellowship with God if we “walk” (live habitually) in “darkness” (sin).
- How can we be walking in the light even though we still need purification from sin (see 1:7-8)? (Consider what walking in the light means if it doesn’t mean never sinning).
- Since we aren’t sinless even if we walk in the light, what must we keep doing (1:9)?
- Why does denying that we have sinned make God out to be liar (1:10)?
- What difference does it make to you that you have “an advocate with the Father” (2:1)?

Application:

- To have fellowship with God and with each other, we must walk with Him in the light (1:7). What does it mean to walk in the light? What does that mean for you in your life?
- Is it possible to be walking in the light and confessing sin without spending time with God? Why or why not?
- Explain in your own words what Christ has done and is doing for you.