



Growth Groups: Week 6 (2/25-3/1)

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

- Where have you made much of yourself and little of God?

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?

- This ties in with the confession questions. 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 3:7-8 – “Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous. ⁸Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.”

1 John 2:28-3:10

Read text together & summarize it

Discuss on the text:

- How does John feel about being a child of God? How does he express his feelings in 3:1?
- What do you think it will mean to be like Christ?
 - See 1 Corinthians 15:42-49; Ephesians 4:24; Philippians 3:21
- Why does a child of God do what is right and constantly purify himself / herself from sin (2:29; 3:2-9)?
- Sin is inconsistent with the Father’s nature (1:5; 2:29), so it is inconsistent with Christ’s nature (3:3,5), and we are becoming like Christ (3:2-3). How is sin also incompatible with Christ’s work on earth (3:5,8)?
- What do you think it means to say that a child of God cannot sin (3:9)? Why is it inconceivable for a Christian to make a practice of sin?

Application:

- Why should we want to be like Christ (3:2)?
- Is there any lawlessness left in your heart? If so, what should you do about it?
- How has Jesus already destroyed Satan’s work? How is He still destroying it?
- Examine your own life in light of 2:29-3:10. Spend some time confessing, if necessary.
- Is your hope fully fixed on being like Jesus when He appears? Does your life display it? How can you move towards fully setting your hope on Jesus?