



## Growth Groups: Week 8 (3/18-22)

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

- What consumes your thoughts when you have alone time?

**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 4:1-3 – “Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. <sup>2</sup>By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, <sup>3</sup>and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God.”

**1 John 4:1-6**

**Read text together & summarize it**

**Discuss on the text:**

- Compare John’s test in 1 John 4:1-3 to the Old Testament prophets in Deuteronomy 13:1-5; 18:14-22. What do the two have in common?
- Why isn’t it arrogant for John to say “whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us” (4:6)?
- Is the test in 4:1-3 useful to you in any ways? If so, how? If not, why not?
- How can 4:4 be an encouragement to you as you deal with false teaching or other temptation?
- According to 4:5, why are false teachers so often popular?

**Application:**

- How do we overcome false teachers?
- What can you find in 2:18-28 and 4:1-6 that you can apply to your life?
- 1 John 4:4 says, “He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.” How should this truth impact you and your life?