

Beloved

"Remain" 1 John 2:15-29

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What will keep us from remaining in Christ:

Loving the world / _____.

What will help us remain in Christ (3 truths):

1. Jesus is the _____.

2. We are filled with the _____.

3. Jesus is _____.

We will remain in Christ

when the _____ remains in us.

NEXT WEEK: 1 John 3:1-10

Small Group Format

1. Welcome

If anyone has had a significant event in their life this past week, give them a minute to share with the group. If necessary, take some time to pray for any immediate needs at the beginning of the meeting.

2. Vision/Purpose

One of the key ingredients of a discipling small group is a Biblical Foundation. How can our group biblically resolve conflict according to Matthew 18:15-17?

3. Small Group Guidelines

Review guidelines (Use "I" Statements, No Fixing, Confidentiality, Listening) that cultivate a healthy environment for sharing.

4. Opening Prayer

5. Read Scripture Passage/Tell Bible Story Passage

6. Discussion Questions

Use a good mix of Head, Heart, and Hand questions. Below are questions your group can pick from if you follow the sermon series.

7. Personal Sharing and Prayer Requests

You can share and pray in one group, in smaller groups, or in gender-specific groups. Make sure that phone numbers are shared so that group members can encourage each other during the week.

Small Group Discussion Questions

Warm-Up: *Get the conversation started, get to know each other.*

1. What kind of music did you listen to in high school? What about that music was positive? What about that music was negative, or worldly?

Head: *These questions help us examine the Word.*

2. Read 1 John 2:15-29. What does John mean by "the world"?
3. In what way does loving the world keep us from remaining in Christ?
4. How do the truths in this passage help us to remain in Jesus?

Heart: *These questions help us wrestle with what we believe.*

5. On a scale of 1 to 10, how aware are you of worldliness in media, music, or in a conversation? If you aren't aware of worldliness around you, how could that affect you?
6. As you follow Jesus, are you focused more on Jesus or more on what you are missing out on?
7. What is one truth that you can focus on this week that will help you to remain in Jesus?

Hand: *These questions help us bring truth and beliefs into our everyday life.*

8. Is there something in the world you're presently attracted to or pursuing? If so, how can you seek accountability?