

Level Up Love
How Do You Recognize a Christian?
Life in Light of 1 John
June 20, 2021

Notes:

Questions for Personal Reflection & Group Discussion

1. Read 1 John 2:3.

According to this verse, how can we be sure that we belong to Christ?

What steps of obedience have you taken as you walk out your faith?

2. Read 1 John 2:4-5.

In what part of your life is your walking in the light incomplete?

Is there something that God has asked you to do that you just keep avoiding? What is it? What keeps you from obeying?

3. Read 1 John 2:6 and John 15:5.

Imagine Jesus being in your situation – whatever it is. Walking in the light, means following His example. What do you think He would do? How would He respond?

In order to follow the example of Christ, we need to abide in Christ. What does abiding in Christ look like for you right now? What small adjustment could you make to abide in Him more fully?

What is one small way that you could be like Jesus this week, in that area where God is calling you to obedience?

What do you need from the Holy Spirit in order to live for and serve Christ? Is it strength? Courage? Discipline? Tell Him what you need. Ask Him to be more fully incarnate through you.

4. Read 1 John 2:7-11.

In what ways is this commandment to love others new?

What makes the way Christians are to love one another different from the way the world loves?

How are you doing at loving others the way God calls us to? When is it hard for you to live out Christ's love?

Who do you need to *agape* (love like Jesus does) this week? How will you do that?