

Home Group Discussion Questions

TBC SERMON SERIES: That You May Believe

Message #7: That You May Know

1 John 5:13-21

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MY STORY:

- 1) What would cause a Christian to doubt their salvation? Have you ever doubted?

- 2) What personally gives you assurance of your salvation? Does your assurance ever waiver?

QUICK REVIEW:

This week we are in our final week of our study of 1 John. Written by the Apostle John later in his life. This week John writes about being certain of eternal life and overcoming sin. Was there anything from this week's sermon that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you? How would you summarize the main ideas of this week's message?

DIGGING DEEPER:

Read 1 John 5:13-15.

- 1) What does it mean to "ask according to his will"?

- 2) Read James 4:2-3. How does this illuminate our passage?

- 3) How do you explain that it appears at times that even when you pray for something good (and not self centered) that should be consistent with His will, God does not grant it?

- 4) How do you reconcile praying in complete faith that God will grant your petition with ending the prayer, "but not our will but Yours"?

Read 1 John 5:16-21.

- 5) From the sermon and your own study, what is “sin that leads to death”? What do you learn about it in this passage?
- 6) If God is sovereign over His creation, what does it mean that “the whole world lies in the power of the evil one”?
- 7) John closes with “keep yourself from idols”. What is an idol and why are they problematic for the people of God.

TAKING IT HOME:

- 1) What has most impacted you by the study of 1 John?
- 2) Has the study of 1 John increased your assurance of salvation or caused you to question it?

Prayer Requests:

