

## Home Group Discussion Questions

TBC SERMON SERIES: That You May Believe

Message #8: Walking and Abiding

2 John 1:1-13

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### MY STORY:

1) Have you ever had someone much older than you that was not a family member but still took a real interest in you and made an impact on you? Elaborate.

2) Have the spiritual leader, teachers, and mentors that most affected you typically been older than you? Who were some of them?

### QUICK REVIEW:

This week we are in 2 John. Written by the Apostle John later in his life. Similar to 1 John, here John writes to a young church about walking with God and rejecting false teaching. 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 2 John 1:1-6.

- 1) What do you think John's relationship is with his recipients? What clues do you see here?
- 2) John uses the word "truth" 5 times in the first four verses. What do you think he mean by truth here and why does he mention it so many times?
- 3) What is the relationship between truth and love? What does it look like to walk in one and not the other?

Read 2 John 1:7-13.

- 4) What seems to be the nature of the specific heresy that John is concerned about? Why is it a problem?

- 5) What is his concern for them (vs. 8) if they get led astray by the false teachers?
- 6) From the sermon, other passages of Scripture (1 Cor 3:10-15, 2 Cor 5:10, etc), and your own study, what is the basis and context for “reward” for a Christian?
- 7) How should the believer feel about the fact that salvation cannot be earned or lost, but that righteous deeds will be rewarded?
- 8) What does John say about how to treat the false teachers? What types of teaching do you think this applies to?

### **TAKING IT HOME:**

- 1) What most stands out to you about 2 John?
- 2) Is there someone of spiritual importance in your life that you have not had seen in a long time that you need to visit with “face to face” to share the joy of being together again?

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### **Prayer Requests:**

