

Life Group Discussion Questions

Sunday, September 29th, 2019

I John 2:12-14
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Icebreaker Question

What is the difference between knowing a lot of facts about a person and knowing someone personally?

Discussion Questions

Note: This quarter we will be featuring three categories of questions - Head, Heart and Hands. As followers of Jesus we want our entire lives to be transformed by His Spirit: our head (what we think), our hearts (what we trust and put our hope in), and our hands (our deeds and actions).

HEAD

These questions will help us understand what the scripture teaches (who God is, what He's done, who we are, and how we should live).

- 1) What stood out to you in these verses or from Sunday's sermon?
- 2) What does John mean that our sins are forgiven "for His name's sake"? The forgiveness that Christ offers the believer is a theme that John has visited multiple times already in his letter. Why do you think that is?

HEART

These questions will be geared towards shaping our hearts in light of the gospel. Our goal will be to align what we know with what we believe in our hearts.

- 3) In these verses, John takes a break from his series of tests in order to remind the believers of their standing before God. Why is it important for us to continually revisit the truth of our identity as children of God that are loved and accepted in



Christ? How is the truth of your identity as a child of God impacting your life currently?

4) In verse 14 John says that we have overcome the evil one because the Word of God abides in us. Some of the enemy's favorite tactics are discouragement, doubt, fear, condemnation and temptation. How has God's Word (in general, or specific verses/passages) aided in your fight against the attacks of the enemy?

HANDS

This question will be geared towards us responding to the passage by allowing the Holy Spirit to change the way that we live.

5) In light of this passage, is there a specific action the Holy Spirit is calling you to this week (i.e. memorize scripture, commit to a Bible reading plan, text a friend with encouragement, spend time in deeper Bible study, etc.)?

