

In-Home Discipleship Guide

Our hope is that you would continue to both be disciplined, and disciple those around you during these days. Below is a guide to help prepare you (and your small group or family) for the sermon to be delivered via livestream on Sunday. We encourage you to take advantage this as you are able, and let us know if there are other ways we can serve you at this time.

THEME: What it means to be children of God

MEMORY VERSE: 1 John 1:7

If we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

BIG IDEA: Everyone born of God will live like children of God.

SONGS: Click [HERE](#) for Sunday's worship set. *Be sure to **subscribe** to our channel!*

TEACHING PASSAGE: 1 John 2:28-3:3

See the *next page* an activity that can be done with young children.

Discussion Questions:

1. What does it mean to abide in Christ? How will this prevent us from shrinking back in shame at his coming? Read chapter 15 in the Gospel of John for further insight.
2. What comfort does it bring to be called a "child of God"?
3. How would you define righteousness? How does the Bible define righteousness? Is your righteousness placed on your own moral standings?
4. As God's children, we often interact with many people who are "of the world" — they do not know or serve God, which may result in friction between you and them. Have you encountered this and how did you respond?
5. Why should the hope of Jesus' return comfort the believer? What are some practical ways this hope can comfort us during the present Covid-19 pandemic?

On April 15, Junior high students (JHM) are invited to join a Zoom meeting to further discuss the sermon from 4/12/2020. Follow this [link](#) to join.

Meeting ID: 640 404 165

(Please email abowman@commfell.org for password)

High school students (HSM) will be discussing this coming Sunday's sermon in a Zoom meeting on Sunday April 19, 2020 at 7pm. Follow this [link](#) to join.

Meeting ID: 993 2375 6689

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Additional Resources

Teaching Passage: 1 John 2:28–3:3.

And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. ²⁹ If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

3 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Activity: Explore with magnets.

Here is a great teaching [video](#) about magnets.

As you are exploring with magnets at home—

Say: *In what ways is Jesus like the magnet? In what ways are we, as children of God, like the items that are attracted to the magnet, Jesus?*

If you have two magnets notice that on one side they attract and on the other side they push away.

Say: *How does this remind you of the scripture we looked at today? And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming.*

Say: *How can we be confident to meet Jesus rather than hide when he returns?*