In-Home Discipleship Guide

Our hope is that you would continue to both be discipled, 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 of 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: True children of God have the Spirit of God to help discern truth from error.

SONGS: Click <u>here</u> for Sunday's worship set. Be sure to subscribe to our channel!

TEACHING PASSAGE: 1 John 4:1-6

See the **next page** for additional resources, including activities that can be done with young children.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. In verse 1 John talks about spirits (what guides or motivates a person). What are some ways we can test the spirits of false prophets or teachers? (Matthew 7:15-20, John 7:24)
- 2. Why is believing that Jesus was God in the flesh so important? (1Corinthians 12:3)
- 3. Why doesn't Satan want us to believe that Jesus was God in the flesh?
- 4. What importance does this mean for the crucifixion and resurrection, and why is it significant for the way we live as Christians?
- 5. What in us is greater than false prophets and even Satan? (1 Corinthians 2:12)
- 6. In what sense have we overcome "them" (v.4) now and in the future? How should this truth affect fear in our lives? (Romans 8:31)

On May 13, 2020 at 7pm, *Junior high students (JHM)* are invited to join a Zoom meeting to further discuss the sermon from 5/10/2020. *High school students (HSM)* are invited to join a Zoom meeting to discuss the sermon on Sunday, May 17, 2020 at 7pm. Follow this <u>link</u> to join either meeting. The meeting ID for both meetings can be found below.

Meeting ID: 876 8354 9724 (email abowman@commfell.org for password)

Additional Resources

Teaching Passage: 1 John 4:1-6

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. 2 By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, 3 and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. 4 Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. 5 They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. 6 We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

Activities:

Last week families discussed the work of the Holy Spirit. He helps, convicts, teaches, and changes us. He is the Spirit of truth. He will always guide us to truth and helps us make life choices that agree with God's commandments. Follow this link for an easy way to learn the Ten commandments. https://youtu.be/auBp1tiiD7c

After you have practiced the ten commandments follow this link to test your memory. https://youtu.be/EEuJ22cLN3w

How did you do? Were you surprised how well you did? If you felt like you can do better, go back to the first link to practice more and then return to the second link to test your memory again.

Back in the 90's WWJD was all the rage. It is a great practice to ask ourselves "what would Jesus do?" Follow this link to a great conversation starter/game to enjoy around the dinner table. https://www.christianitycove.com/bible-game-what-would-jesus-do/3832/

