



# October 8 – 14

Truth and Deception | Do Not Love the World

**Icebreaker:** Was there ever a time in which you were scammed by a fraud or imposter? What happened and how did you find out?

## Read 1 John 2:15–17

- Why can't we love both the world and the Father?
- What is the difference between “participating/enjoying” the world and “loving” the world? How do we know when we've moved from one to the other?
- What are some worldly desires that could easily become strongholds in our lives?
- What is the difference between desires of the flesh, desires of the eyes, and the pride of life? Which of these three are the greatest temptation to you?
- How have you seen the world manipulate our desires?
- Why won't the world provide lasting satisfaction? What will happen to the world at the end?

## Read 1 John 2:18–27

- Have you ever been deceived or hurt by someone in the church? How did you respond?
- Why is John warning the church about antichrists? Who or what are antichrists? What does this passage say about antichrists?
- Why is it important to understand the difference between the true Christ and the antichrist? What do believers possess that enable them to know the difference?
- Who according to Scripture has the Holy Spirit and is anointed? (*see Eph 1:13, Rom 8:9-11, John 14:16-17*)
- John is speaking about the need to abide in the Father. How does fostering a lifestyle of abiding transform you? How does it impact your ability to discern lies and recognize deceivers?
- What are confusing or deceptive teachings you have heard from church leaders? Why do some church leaders promote false teachings? What is our responsibility when we become aware of false teaching in the church?

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