

A Light in the Dark

A Study in 1 John



1 John 3:21-4:6

Getting Started

Have you ever been in a performance or dramatic production? Did you enjoy it?

Discussion

Was there anything that stood out to you from the sermon that you would like to discuss further?

Why does being confident in the love of God (vs. 19 and 20) matter according to the rest of chapter 3?

“...and receive from God anything you ask (v. 22a)...” Unpack this statement. When you pray, how’s your confidence? What is keeping you from confidence in prayer?

What does it look like to “test the spirits” (vs. 2-3)? How can you do that practically in your life with God?

What does it mean to “overcome” and how do we do it according to v. 4? How does the Holy Spirit overcome in our lives? How do we cooperate with Him in overcoming?

As you go

Do you have pain in your heart or offense in your heart due to unanswered prayer? Have you spoken honestly with God about that? Would you consider watching this five part series on unanswered prayer by the creator of the Prayer Course, Pete Grieg? URL for the 5 Sessions: unanswered.prayercourse.org/sessions/

Prayer

Who has a need they would like the Group to pray for? How about a story from this past week of victory and praise?

What is the most common situation/person/etc that each of you pray for (is it kids, job, spouse, illness)? Go around the room and share that prayer with the Group and then have someone else pray for it out loud.

