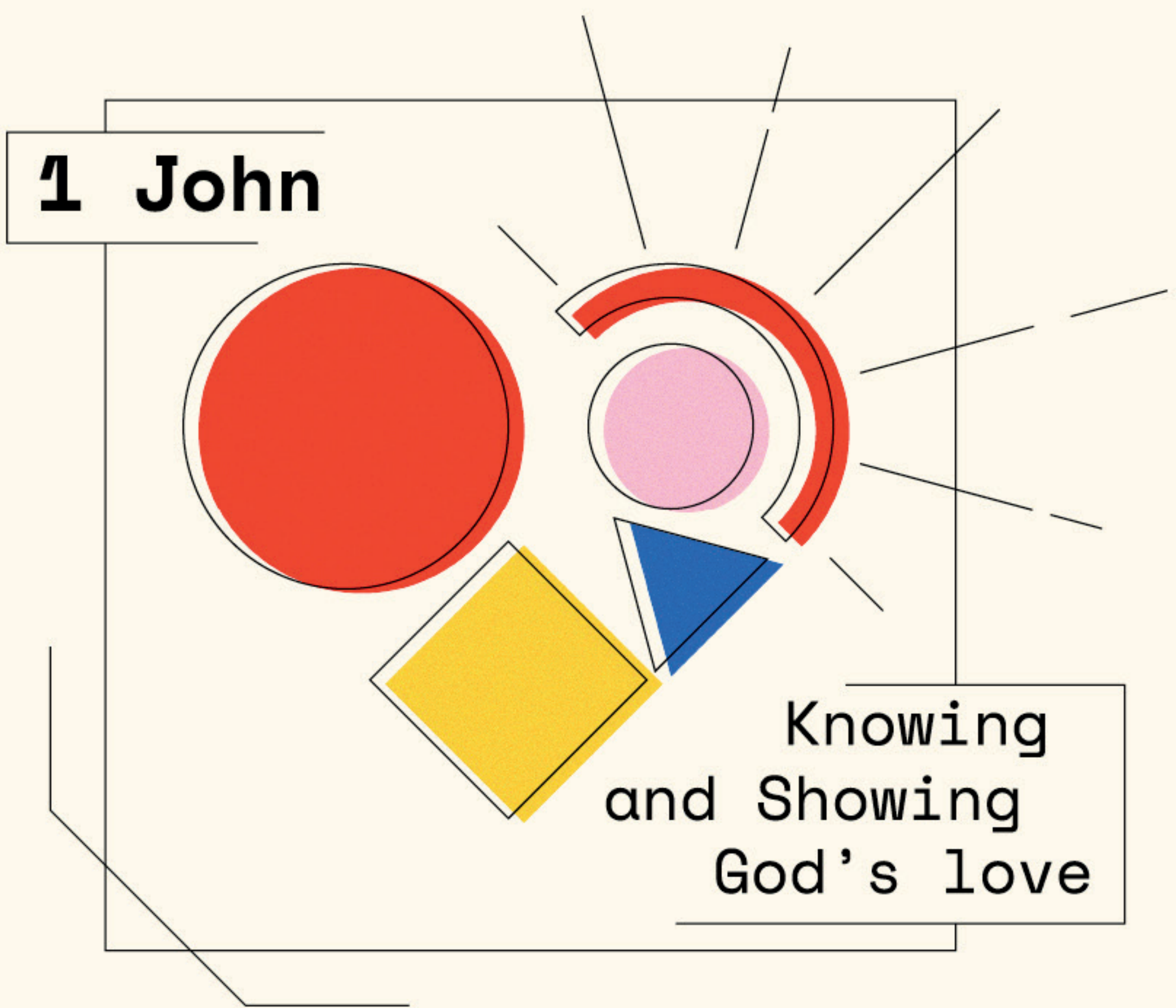


Small Group Notes

Sermon: 16 January 2022



Overview

On Sunday we had our second installment from our new 1 John preaching series.

Ollly spoke to us about light and darkness and then about confession and forgiveness. Have a read of the passage again and then let the questions beneath fuel your discussion as a small group.

If you feel it's appropriate you could have a time of confession together. Jesus is faithful and just and will forgive all our sins.

1 John 1:5-10

⁵ *This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.* ⁶ *If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth.* ⁷ *But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.*

⁸ *If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.* ⁹ *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.* ¹⁰ *If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.*

Questions

1. In V5 John writes that God is light. What are the characteristics of light that show us what God is like?
2. What does John mean by “walking in the light”?
3. Why would we need to ongoingly confess our sins if Jesus’ blood has purified us from all our sin?
4. What areas of your life can you ask Jesus for forgiveness as you seek to walk in the light?
5. Who are you accountable to?
(Spouse, Friend, Leader etc)