

Sermon Notes

Big Idea: What's the difference between knowing about God and knowing God? What changes take place in your life when you have a genuine relationship with God? How can you be assured that your relationship with God is real? Let's discover what it means to abide.

Can you know that you really know God?

Abide: to stay or remain.

Four Keys to Knowing God:

- 1) Embrace the Facts about Jesus.
- 2) Experience Fellowship with Jesus.
- 3) Enjoy Friendship with Christians.
- 4) Evidence of Fruitfulness because of Jesus.

1 John 2:18-28 (ESV)

Abiding in The Anointing:

- Supernatural Devotions
- Supernatural Discernment
- Supernatural Discipleship
- Supernatural Development

1 John 3:1-3 (ESV)

Abide Assignment: Spend time this week looking at Jesus, looking at you, in love.

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) Which of the *Four Keys to Knowing God* is most prominent in you life? Which is the least? Why do you think that is?
- 3) Read 1 John 2:18-25. Have you had any experiences with people you considered heretical or anti-Christ? How was their message about Jesus wrong or off in your opinion?
- 4) Read 1 John 2:26-29. Have you ever experienced what you would consider *The Anointing*? Which of the four *Supernatural* results are most frequent for you? Which one(s) are you longing to experience more often?
- 5) Read 1 John 3:1-3. When's the last time you spent time dwelling on God's love and goodness over your life? Explain. Will you do the *Abide Assignment*? When?