



# The Test for Truth

## DISCUSSION GUIDE FROM 5/22/22

LOVE GOD. LOVE PEOPLE.

### SERMON SUMMARY:

We've all been asked the question, "How do you know that what you believe is true?" As a follower of Jesus, our answer to truth comes from the person and work of Jesus. In this message, Pastor Nathan gives us helpful tools that allow us to identify truth from the Word of God.

**Key Passage:** 1John 4:1-6

*Be sure to read this Scripture passage together before you proceed to the "Grow" section of our study.*

### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION AND DISCUSSION

**KNOW: Spend some time finding out how everyone's week has gone.**

*The questions in this section provide a guide for connectivity; feel free to approach this part of your group time organically over a meal or "connection" activity or with questions appropriate to your context.*

*What is something that you are thankful for this week?*

*What is something that is causing you stress or concern this week?*

*Who in your life is in need of prayer, physical help, or emotional encouragement right now?*

**GROW: Grow in the Lord as you engage His Word together.**

According to 1 John 4:1 Instead of believing every spirit, what does John instruct his readers to do? Why?

In Verse 2, How can we know that what we believe or what someone tells us is true?

Twice John tells us plainly we're "from God." How does that truth change your perception of who you are?

**GO: Talk through ways you can put what you've learned into practice.**

Who in your life believes in the spirit of error? How is God calling you this week to speak the truth in love to them?

What are some ways in which you can grow in your discernment of truth this week?

Who are some influential teachers or leaders in your life that help you navigate truth from the Gospel? Take some time and pray for them this week.