

Week Two - Do Not Love This World

Icebreaker: Come up with a fun question or use a helpful tool (like Questions For Humans cards) to ask a question and get to know each other better.

Devotional Recap: What is a takeaway that you have from Pastor Mike's devotional?

Scripture Reading: Take some time to read through 1st John 2 as a group out loud. While you're reading, look for one thing that sticks out to share with the group afterwards.

Questions:

1. What does it make you think to know that Jesus is your advocate?
2. Pray internally - Is there anything you need to confess to Him?
3. What commands of God have brought joy in your life that you've seen Him guide your obedience and grow you?
4. What does it look like to love a Christian brother or sister?
5. How does the world try to lure you to love/lust it? How do you combat that?
6. John writes of remaining faithful and in fellowship with Christ. How has God guided you in that journey up to present?

Action Step

The first step to rooting sin out of our life is to recognize it for what it truly is. You can't take care of a leaking pipe in the wall if you are not aware of it (until it's too late). This week, do a "home walkthrough" of your own life. What are some areas that look really good? What are others that have been neglected and left to decay? Those are the areas that John is writing about, and that Christ wants to forgive us and help us through. Recognize them, confess them to God and a friend, then come up with a plan to address it.

Closing Actions

Take some time to collect **prayer requests** and **praises**. Write them in a group chat (like your Church Center app messages) so that others can pray if they couldn't make it.

Take some time to announce personal and church events that are coming up! It's a great way to have fun and grow as a group.