

Week One - I John 1

I John 1:7-8

"But if we walk in light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

The things I want to accomplish this week!

I Cor. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – 1 John 1:7-8

Time spent in prayer _____

Read – 1 John 1:1-2

Examine:

1. Compare vs. 1 with John 1:1. What was from the beginning?
2. Who is the Word?
3. The Apostle John and those who were with him experienced Jesus (the Word) with what three senses?
4. If Jesus had not literally come in the flesh, as some false teachers of that day claimed, would it have been possible to experience Jesus with these three senses?
5. If Jesus had not literally come in the flesh, could He have literally died for our sins?
6. What was manifested?
 - NOTE - The word for life has to do with eternal life. Jesus Christ is eternal life personified.
7. Read John 1:14. How was Jesus (the Word) manifested?
8. What did John and the other witnesses of Jesus show to others?

Apply:

Those who personally knew Jesus during His earthly ministry bore witness of Him to others, who in turn witnessed to others, until one day someone told you about Jesus. How are you being a faithful witness of Jesus?

Who was the last person you told about Jesus?

Were you excited to spread this tremendous news?

How long has that been?

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Weekly memory verse – I John 1:7-8

Read - 1 John 1:3-4

Time: _____

Time spent in prayer _____

Examine -

1. What has John declared to us?
2. What had John seen and heard (Look back at vs. 1-2)?
3. Why did John declare this to us?
4. With whom did John have fellowship?
5. What was John's purpose in writing?
6. In John 15:11, why had Jesus been speaking to His disciples?
7. How can our joy be full according to John 15?

Reality check – what makes you joyful (Happy)?

Apply:

Joy is not dependent upon favorable circumstances. It is dependent upon fellowship with Christ. Fellowship with Christ comes from knowing Him as your Savior, and abiding in Him (i.e. spending time with Him every day, consistently obeying His commandments, and confessing sin). When did you receive Jesus as your Savior?

Do you spend time with Him every day, or just some days?

In what areas are you obedient to Christ?

In what areas are you disobedient?

What can you do to correct your disobedience?

According to John 15, if you make these corrections, will you have joy?

Is your cup empty, half full or full?

Is your happiness based on Christ?

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Weekly Memory Verse - 1 John 1:7-8

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 1:5

Examine -

1. What message did John hear from Jesus?
2. Jesus said that He is what in John 8:12?

Think about it - What does light do?

3. What did John do with the message that He received from Jesus?
4. According to this verse, God is what?
➤ Note "Light" is used to depict the holiness and purity of God.
5. What is not in God at all?
6. What does darkness represent?
7. According to Colossians 1:13, believers have been delivered from _____, and translated into _____.
8. Ephesians 5:11 tells us to have no fellowship with what?
9. Read 2 Corinthians 6:14. Are light and darkness compatible?

Apply:

Every person comes into the world as a citizen of the kingdom of darkness. How do they get translated into the kingdom of light?

What kingdom do you act and talk like?

List five things that would distinguish you in each kingdom!

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Weekly Memory Verse - I John 1:7-8

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 1:6-8

Examine -

1. If you say that you are saved (fellowshipping with God) and act like the world, what does the Bible say about you?
2. Does a person then who denies his sin have God's Word in him?
3. Who is truth according to John 14:6?
4. Can a person then who denies his sin have Jesus in him?
5. What would you do if you were witnessing to someone, and he said he wanted to receive Christ, but he didn't think that he was a sinner?
6. What is one of the signs that we are walking in the light?
7. How is your fellowship with others and does this indicate that you are walking in the light?
8. What cleanseth us from sin?

Apply:

One of the key aspects of salvation is realizing that we are sinners and repenting of our sin (that is changing our mind about our sin). Did this happen in your salvation experience?

As a Christian, are there areas in your life that you are deceiving yourself by denying or failing to deal with sin?

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Weekly Memory Verse - 1 John 1:7-8

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 1: 9-10

Examine -

1. What responsibility do we have for our sins to be forgiven?
2. Define Confess -
3. Verse 9 describes God as what two things in regard to forgiving sins?
4. How can God, who is holy, be just in forgiving sins?
(BONUS: Find something in Romans that explains this)
5. When we confess our sins, from what does God cleanse us?
6. In verse 7, we saw that when we walk in the light Christ's blood cleanses us from _____
_____.
7. Compare verse 7 with verse 9: what is the relationship between walking in fellowship with God and confessing our sins?
8. If we say that we have not sinned what do we make God?
9. According to Titus 1:2, is it possible for God to lie?
10. Who then is lying if we say that we have not sinned?
11. If we say that we have not sinned, what is not in us?

Apply:

We cannot maintain fellowship with God if we do not deal with sin in our lives. Do you confess your sins as soon as you are aware of them?

Lying is a sin that many people justify or overlook. How often do you lie?

How do you deal with it when you do?

Do you quickly disregard the severity of it and cover it up?

A good way is to make yourself confess your lie to the Lord and also to the person to whom you lied.

This is no fun and helps you watch your tongue in the future.

Do you know of any unconfessed sins in your life right now?

If so, confess them now, turn from them, and start walking with God again.

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Weekly Memory Verse - I John 1:7-8

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 1

Examine - Review

1. Why is it so important that those who knew Jesus during His earthly ministry experienced Him with the senses mentioned in verse 1?
2. Why is it essential that Jesus literally came in the flesh?
3. Is someone saved who denies that Jesus literally came in the flesh?
4. Why did John write this epistle according to verses 3 and 4?
5. What is the message that John heard from Jesus?
6. Is it possible for a believer to harbor sin in his life and be in fellowship with God?
7. Is it possible for someone to be saved who denies that he is a sinner?
8. What must a believer do with his sins to maintain fellowship with God?

Apply:

What are two things seen in chapter one that you must do to stay in fellowship with God?

What will be the result if you walk in fellowship with God? (vs. 4)

What you are full of will spill over on others!

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Weekly Memory Verse - I John 1:7-8

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - John 15 (This is a different passage and will lay some ground work for chapter two's study)

Examine -

1. Who is the true vine?
2. What happens when a branch bears fruit?
3. How can we bear fruit?
 - Note – fruit bearing rest on Abiding in Christ!!!!
4. According to verse 5, what can we do apart from God?
5. According to verse 7, what is one of the benefits of abiding?
6. How can we glorify the Father?
7. What is God's commandment to us?
8. What is the greatest form of love?
9. How can we be God's friend?
10. Why will the world hate and persecute us?
11. The comforter (Holy Spirit) is called a name here (vs. 26), what is it?

Note – Hudson Taylor – missionary to China's interior - said that this passage was the key to victory in Christian living. He said that is was not about doing but about abiding.

Apply:

Are you doing or abiding?

How can you abide in Christ today? (Write out some specific things)

The Christian life is not a playground – it is a battlefield!

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Week Two - I John 2

I John 2:15-16

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world.
If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world."

The things I want to accomplish this week!

I Cor. 10:31

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Weekly memory verse – I John 2: 15-16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 2: 1-6

Examine -

1. To whom does John address this epistle?
2. Why was he writing to them?
3. Because we sin, we have what with the Father?
4. Define Advocate -
5. Who is our Advocate?
6. What is Jesus Christ according to verse 2?
7. Define Propitiation -
8. For what is Jesus the propitiation?
9. How do we know that we know Jesus?
10. A person who claims to know God, but does not keep His commandments is what?
11. What is perfected in those who keep God's Word?
12. How should a person walk who claims to know God?

Think – The world knows – do you?

Apply:

We see in these verses the test of obedience. A true believer consistently obeys God's commandments; a mere professing Christian consistently does not keep His commandments. Do you pass or fail this test?

We also see how the true believer is to walk; he is to walk as Christ walked. Explain how you can conduct yourself like Christ in the following areas of your life:

where you go -

what you do -

what you say -

what you listen to -

what you think -

what you wear –

who you are with -

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Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 2: 15-16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - John 2: 7-11

Examine -

1. What is the old commandment?

2. Read chapter 3 verse 11. What message is from the beginning?

3. What was John writing according to verse 8?

4. What did Jesus command His disciples in John 15:12, 17?

➤ **Note - There is no contradiction in John's referring to an old commandment and then a new commandment. He is simply stressing the importance of the commandment to "love one another" by mentioning its occurrence in both the Old and New Testaments. Because these believers had a new position in Christ, they now had a heightened capacity to obey God's commandment to love.**

➤ **Bonus – What is the significance of the phrase “even until now”?**

5. According to James 2:8, what is the "royal law"?

6. In what does the person who loves his brother abide?

7. What is not in this person?

8. He who hates his brother is in what?

9. Because he is in darkness, he does not know where he is _____.

10. What has the darkness done to his eyes?

Apply:

One of the key distinguishing marks between a true believer and someone who only professes to be a Christian is that the genuine believer genuinely loves his Christian brethren, whereas the other does not. He only “loves” them for what he can get out of them. Who do you really love?

Are you more comfortable around Christians who love the Lord or around unsaved or ungodly people?

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Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 2: 15-16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 2: 12-17

Examine -

1. Why did John write to the little children? (two reasons verse 12, 13)

2. Why were their sins forgiven?

3. Why did John write to the fathers?

4. Who is from the beginning?

5. Why did he write to the young men?

6. How do we overcome the wicked one?

BONUS: Find an answer in Revelation!

7. What are we not to love?

➤ Note - World refers to the world system that is opposed to God.

8. What is not in the person who loves the world?

9. What 3 categories of things make up all that is in the world?

➤ Think – How much of the world can we love and still be ok?

10. What passes away?

11. Who abides forever?

Apply:

Do you love, and invest your time in the things of the world that pass away; or do you love God and invest your time in things that are eternal?

What things do you love that are characteristic of the world?

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Weekly memory verse – I John 2: 15-16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 2: 18-19

Examine -

1. What time is it according to verse 18?
2. Who shall come in the last time?
3. How do we know that it is already the last time?
4. What does 2 Timothy 3:1 say shall come in the last days?
5. In 2 Timothy 3:2-8, Paul lists 24 characteristics of men in the "last days". What are the first 8 characteristics in this list?

Back to I John

6. Who went out from these believers?
7. Why did they go out from them?
8. If they had been of them, what would they have done?
9. What will be the result of their departure?

Apply:

Certainly we are living in the last times; false teaching is prevalent, and there are many who oppose Christ. We who know Christ and are awaiting His soon return should live in sharp contrast to those who are His enemies. Look again at Paul's list of characteristics of men in the last days; do any of these characterize you?

What changes do you need to make to be more like Christ in these areas?

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Weekly memory verse – I John 2: 15-16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 2: 20-25

Examine -

1. What do these readers have from the Holy One?

➤ Note - unction comes from the Greek word meaning anointing, and is a reference to the Holy Spirit.

2. What do these readers know?

➤ Note - By considering the phrase "ye know all things" in it's context, we understand that it refers to these believer's ability to understand spiritual truth (because of the indwelling Holy Spirit, see I Corinthians 2:11-16 for more information).

3. What did Jesus say the Holy Spirit would do in John 16:13?

4. Why did John write these things according to verse 21?

5. What is not of the truth?

6. How does verse 22 define a liar?

7. He that denies the Father and the Son is what?

8. He that denies the Son has not the _____.

9. Jehovah's Witnesses and other false teachers claim to know God, yet they deny the deity of Christ. Can these people truly know God as they claim if they deny Jesus?

10. What has God promised us in verse 25?

Apply:

A genuine believer has the indwelling Holy Spirit, and therefore the ability to discern spiritual truth, a mere professing Christian has neither. Though it is the Holy Spirit who enables the believer to understand spiritual truth, the degree to which a believer is able to understand spiritual truth and discern error is directly related to his knowledge of the Bible. Do you know enough of the Bible to refute false doctrine?

BONUS: How would you, from the Bible, answer these false statements?

Jesus was just a good teacher. -

Jesus did not literally die on the cross, He only fainted.

Different religions are O.K.; we're all going to the same place, we're just taking different roads to get there.

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Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 2: 15-16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 2: 26-29

Examine -

1. John wrote these things concerning whom?

2. What was abiding in these believers?

3. These believers needed not that any man should do what?

➤ **Note - This does not mean that believers are omniscient and never need to be taught (if they were, why did John have to write this epistle?). Rather, it refers again to an ability to understand spiritual truth based on the ministry of the Holy Spirit, not because of man's intelligence.**

4. This verse says the anointing is _____, and is no _____.

5. In whom are we to abide?

6. Why?

7. Who is coming? (Hint: see 2 Thess. 2:1)

8. Who is righteous?

9. Every one who does righteousness is born of whom?

10. Is it possible then for an unsaved person to truly do righteous works?

Apply:

Here is yet another distinguishing mark between genuine believers and mere professors. Unsaved man may do what he considers to be good works, but only a genuine Christian can do that which is righteous in the sight of God because God has credited righteousness to his account. In verse 28 we saw that it is possible for a Christian to be ashamed when Christ returns. If He were to return right now, would you be ashamed? Why or why not?

If yes what could you do to change this?

Prayer

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 2: 15-16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 2

Examine -

1. What is an advocate?
2. What is propitiation?
3. Who is both our advocate with the Father, and the propitiation for our sins?

4. What is the royal law?

5. The person who loves his brother abides in _____.

6. He who hates his brother is in _____.

7. What are believers not to love?

8. What 3 categories of things make up all that is in the world?

9. What time is it according to verse 18?

10. Who indwells believers?

11. What does this person do for believers according to verses 20-29?

12. In this chapter we have seen four marks, or characteristics, between genuine believers and mere professors of Christianity, what are they?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Apply -

What were three things in this chapter that meant the most to you?

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Week Three - I John 3

I John 3:16

"Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren."

The things I want to accomplish this week!

I Cor. 10:31

Date: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16

Read - I John 3: 1-3

Time: _____

Time spent in prayer _____

Examine -

1. What are we believers called?
2. Who does not know us?
3. Why does the world not know us?
4. What are we now?
5. What does not yet appear?
6. What will we be like when Christ appears?
7. How do we know this?
8. What does the person who has this hope (assurance) in himself do?

9. According to 1 Peter 1:15-16, believers are to be what?
10. Why are we to be this?

Apply:

When God saved us He adopted us into His family; now we are His children and bear his name. When Christ returns, we will receive a new body, and a sinless nature, and in this regard, be like Christ. However, we still have the responsibility until that time to be like Christ and reflect His holy nature. Since you have been saved, in what areas have you seen change in the direction of Christ-likeness?

What are some areas in which much improvement is still needed?

Prayer

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - I John 3: 4-10

Examine - This passage of Scripture has been misinterpreted by some as teaching that a saved person is no longer capable of sinning. Nothing could be farther from the truth. In the beginning of this very same epistle, the Apostle John, writing to believers, dealt with the importance of confessing sin (1 John. 1: 8-9). This would have been unnecessary if they were no longer capable of sinning. Furthermore, we see in Romans chapter seven that even the Apostle Paul struggled with sin. Much more support could be given, but these two examples alone are sufficient to prove that eradication of the sin nature is not taught in Scripture. Understanding the significance of the verb tense used in this passage is very important for a proper interpretation. In every case, the verbs dealing with committing sin, or not committing sin, are in the present tense in the original language, which indicates continuous action. Thus we see a contrast between those who continually, habitually commit sin, and those who do not.

1. How does verse four define sin?
2. Why was Christ manifested?
3. What category of people sin not (i.e. continually, habitually sin)?
4. On the contrary, whoever sins (continually) has not _____ Him, neither _____ Him.
5. A person who does righteousness is _____.
6. A person who commits sin (continually, and habitually) is of whom?
7. Why was the Son of God manifested (vs. 8)?
8. What category of people does not habitually sin (vs. 9)?
9. Why don't they (according to this verse)?
10. According to verse ten, what two categories of people are compared in this passage?

Apply:

We see in this passage that an unsaved person can live in sin consistently and not be bothered by it, but a true Christian cannot. Does the mere fact of your sin make you miserable, or do you just fear the consequences of your sin?

Being honest with yourself, and with God, in which category of people in verse ten do you belong?

Prayer

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - I John 3: 11-15

Examine -

1. What is the message that we have heard from the beginning?
2. Who is given as an example of not loving one's brother?
3. Of whom was Cain?
 - **Bonus – Who was the only other person in the Bible to use this name for the Devil?**
4. What did Cain do?
5. Why did he do it?
6. At what should we not marvel?
7. How do we know that we have passed from death to life?
8. The person who does not love his brother abides in what?
9. A person who hates his brother is what?
10. What is not in this person?

Apply:

We see in this section the same principle that is in verses 7-11 of chapter 2; that brotherly love sets believers apart from unbelievers. Cain is given as an example of someone who hated his brother instead of loving him. And why did he hate him? He hated him because he was jealous of him. Though Cain is obviously an example of an unrepentant and an unsaved man, may those of us who know Christ still learn from Cain the lesson of the deadly fruit of jealousy. Jealousy leads to hatred, strife, division, and even murder. Is there anyone of whom you are jealous for any reason?

If yes, read Rom. 12:15; Phil. 2:3-4; and 4:11-12.

Pray and ask the Lord to help you love your brother instead of being jealous of him.

Prayer

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - I John 3: 16-17

Examine -

1. By what do we perceive God's love?
2. What ought we to do for the brethren?
3. In John 15:13, what did Jesus say was the greatest demonstration of a man's love?
4. In Romans 16:3-4, what two people showed this kind of love?
5. Compare I John 3:17 with James 2:14-17.
 - A. Of what value are words if they are not backed by action?
 - B. How can we demonstrate our love to someone who is in need?
6. What did God give to us that demonstrated His love for us (Jn.3:16)?
7. For what did Paul commend the church at Philippi in Philippians 4:14-18?
8. Is God's love evident in the life of someone who has no compassion for his brother?

Apply:

We have seen previously that a saved person will love his brother, now we see how that love is shown. Genuine, pure love is demonstrated by giving. Giving may include your time, your money, your talents, your help, your resources, even giving correction, but most of all it includes giving yourself. (It does not include giving up your convictions, standards, or purity however!!) Who are some people that you love?

What have you done to show that you love them?

What have you done to show that you love God?

What can you do this week to show both that you love them?

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - I John 3: 18-21

Examine -

1. In what two ways are we not to love?
2. In what two ways are we to love?
3. If we love in these two ways, what will we know by it?
4. What will this do for our hearts?
5. What do our hearts sometimes do (v. 20)?
6. Who is greater than our heart?
7. How much does God know?
8. What do we have if our heart does not condemn us?
9. In what did Paul exercise himself according to Acts 24:16?

Apply:

When we prove our love by our actions, we find assurance of salvation because we see the evidence of salvation in our lives. We also have assurance that we are in fellowship with God because our actions are in accord with His Word. There are times when our conscience is not clear because of sin in our lives, but this does not mean that we should doubt our salvation; God is greater than our hearts. Our salvation is not based on our emotions; it is based on God's unchanging Word (Ps. 119:89) and unchanging character (Mal.3:6). When we have a clear conscience though, it enables us to serve God with confidence. Are you serving God confidently with a clear conscience, or are there areas of known disobedience in your life?

What (if anything) is keeping you from having a clear conscience?

How can you change this?

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Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - I John 3: 22-24

Examine -

1. What do we receive from God?
2. Why do we not have some things according to James 4:2?
3. Why do we not receive some things that we do ask for according to James 4:3?
4. Why do we receive things that we ask for (two reasons)?
5. Should a disobedient Christian who is not pleasing God expect to have his prayers answered?
6. What is God's commandment (v. 23)?
7. Where does the person who keeps God's commandments dwell?
8. Who dwells in this person?
9. How do we know that God abides in us?

Apply:

Christians have the unique privilege of seeing God answer their prayers. However, there are a number of prerequisites for answered prayer given in Scripture, some of which are seen in this passage; namely: that we are genuinely saved, that we are obeying God's commandments, that we are pleasing God, that we love one another, and that we are asking.

Are you 100% sure of your salvation?

Are you obedient to God?

Are you doing the things that please Him?

Do you love your Christian brethren?

Do you spend time in prayer?

What are some recent answers to your prayers?

BONUS: Draw a cartoon (even stick figures) depicting someone praying for something but who will not get their prayer answered because one or more of the qualifications were not met.

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Weekly memory verse – I John 3:16

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - I John 3

Examine -

1. What are Christians called in verse 1?
2. What will we be like when Christ appears?
3. What should we be doing because of this assurance (v. 3)?
4. What is the key to properly interpreting verses 6-10?
5. According to these verses, what distinguishes believers from unbelievers?
6. What does Cain teach us about jealousy?
7. How did God demonstrate His love for us?
8. How can we demonstrate our love?
9. What will this do for our own hearts?
10. What are five prerequisites for answered prayer?

Apply:

What were three of the most significant things for you in this chapter?

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Week Four - I John 4

I John 3:10-11

"Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us,
and sent his son to be the propitiation for our sins.
Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one
another."

The things I want to accomplish this week!

I Cor. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 4:1

Examine -

1. What word does John use to address his readers?
2. What are we not to believe?
3. What are we to do to the spirits?
4. What are we to determine by trying (or testing) them?
5. Why is it necessary for us to test them?
6. According to Ephesians 4:14, with what are believers not to be carried about?
7. since false teachers like to twist Scripture, According to II Timothy 2:15, what can we do to avoid being deceived and tossed around with false teaching?
8. In Titus 1:13, how did Paul instruct Titus to deal with false teachers?
9. What instructions does I John 10 give us regarding false teachers?
10. In Acts 17:11, what did the Jews at Berea do to verify that Paul's message was true?

Apply:

We live in a culture that is permeated with false teaching. The best way for us to identify and avoid error is to thoroughly know the truth. How much time do you spend each day reading the Bible?

How often do you memorize Scripture?

Can you list ten Bible doctrines that you could use to test someone's teaching?

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Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 4:2-4

Examine -

1. Every spirit that confesses that Christ came in the flesh is what?
2. Every spirit that does not confess that Christ came in the flesh is what?
3. What spirit does not confess that Christ came in the flesh?

4. What is already in the world?
5. Those of us that are of God, whom have we overcome?
6. Why have we overcome them?
7. Who is in us? (I John 3: 24)

8. Who is in the world? (Rev. 12:7-9)

Apply:

Satan is the ancient foe of God and God's saints; he is powerful, and we dare not wrestle him in our own strength. At the same time however, we do not need to cower in fear, doing nothing for God: because God, who indwells us, is infinitely more powerful than Satan! Is there anything that you are afraid to do for God?

If so, what?

According to verse four, can you victoriously do this?

What steps can you begin to take to obey God in this area in which you have been afraid?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 4:5-6

Examine -

1. Of what are false teachers?
2. Of what do they speak?
3. Who hears them?

Read 2 Timothy 4:3-4. Paul wrote of a day when people would no longer endure sound doctrine; Answer questions 4-6 from this passage.

4. What will these people heap to themselves?
5. From what will they turn their ears away?
6. To what will they turn?
7. Go back to I John 4! We are of whom?
8. Who hears us?
9. Who does not hear us?
10. Whether or not a person hears us allows us to discern between what two spirits?

Apply:

Not only are there many false teachers, but there are many who want to hear their false message! People like to hear things that make them feel good, but they don't like to be confronted with the painful truth that they are sinners who must one day stand before a Holy God. Thankfully, the truth is also that Jesus died and rose again so that we sinners can be forgiven!! How do you respond when the truth of the Word of God convicts you?

Do you stiffen your neck in resistance, or do you humble yourself before God and deal with your sin?

When was the last time you responded to the invitation in a preaching service to deal with something about which God had spoken to you? (Write out the time and your decision)

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – 1 John 3:10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 4:7-10

Examine -

1. Who are believers to love?
2. Of whom is love?
3. Everyone who loves is born of whom?
4. Is it possible then for an unsaved person to truly love someone?
5. If you love not, who do you not know?
6. God is what according to verse eight?
7. How was God's love for us manifested?
8. Why did God send His only begotten Son into the world?
9. In what is love, that we love God or that He loved us?
10. What did God send His Son to be?
11. Define Propitiation -

Apply:

It is no wonder that we should love God, but it is amazing that a Holy God would choose to love sinners like us! None of us are perfect yet, and there are some things about all of us that others don't like; but if God would choose to love us in spite of our shortcomings, we also should love one another in spite of their shortcomings for the sake of Him who loved us and gave His Son for us. Is there a particular brother or sister in Christ who you just really don't like?

Ask the Lord to help you see beyond their faults to their eternal soul, and to love them for Christ's sake.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – 1 John 3:10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 4:11-16

Examine -

1. Why ought we to love one another?
2. Who has ever seen God?
3. If we love one another, it gives evidence that who dwells in us?
4. If we love one another, what is perfected in us?
5. How did Jesus say that men would know we were His disciples in John 13:35?
6. How do we know that God dwells in us, and we in Him according to vs. 13?
7. What have we seen, and of what do we testify?
 - **Note: You did not see this with your eyes but you have seen evidences of this all around you. List some of those evidences.**
8. God dwells in the person who confesses what about Christ?
9. What have we known and believed?

Apply:

No man has ever seen God in His fullness. God demonstrated His love when He gave us His Son, and He tells us of His love in the Bible. The only way that this lost world can see God's love is through the lives of believers, who are to love each other with the same kind of love that God has for us. What are four ways that you can demonstrate God's love, either towards a fellow Christian, or to someone who is not saved? (Hint: see 1 Corinthians chapter 13 for ideas!)

BONUS: Give specific verses for each of the 4 ways above of Jesus demonstrating them.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – 1 John 3:10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 4:17-21

Examine -

1. In what is our love made perfect?
2. Why is this?
3. What is not in love?
4. What does perfect love do to fear?
5. What does fear have?
6. Who is not made perfect in love?
7. Why do we love God?
8. A person who claims to love God, but hates his brother is what?
9. Why?
10. What commandment do we have from God?

Apply:

To the same degree that we love God, we will obey Him (Jn. 14:15). To the same degree that we love our brother, we will not wrong him (1 Cor. 13). If we are yielded to the Holy Spirit, and He is able to fully produce His love in our lives, we will not fear God's judgment. Our consciences will be clear both toward God and man. One way that you can evaluate your own love for God is to ask yourself if you could confidently stand before God if He required that of you today. Think about this for a minute, then, circle one of the following statements that best fits you.

- I love God with all of my heart, mind, soul and strength.
- I love God a lot, but not as much as I should.
- I would probably be ashamed of some things if I stood before Him today.
- Sure, I love God, but I love a lot of things in the world too.

Why should I love God?

What has He done for me?

Is your love for God what it should be?

If not, spend some time in prayer right now, asking God to teach you how, and to help you, to love Him more.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 3:10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 4

Examine -

1. What are we to do with the spirits?
2. Why are we to do this?
3. What does the Spirit of God confess?
4. Every spirit that denies that Christ came in the flesh is the spirit of what?
5. Why have we overcome?
6. Who hears us?
7. Everyone who loves is born of whom?
8. How do we know that God dwells in us (v. 13)?
9. Who dwells in the person who confesses that Jesus is the Son of God?
10. What is not in love?
11. Why do we love God?
12. He who claims to love God, but hates his brother is what?

Apply:

What were some of the most significant principles in this chapter to you?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Week Five - I John 5

I John 5:13

"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God."

The things I want to accomplish this week!

I Cor. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 5:13

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - I John 5: 1-3

Examine -

1. A person who is born of God believes what about Jesus?
2. Who is referred to as "him that begat"?
3. Who is being referred to as him that is "begotten"?
4. Is it possible for someone to truly love God the Father but not love Jesus?
5. How do we know that we love the children of God?

6. According to Romans 13:9, what is summed up in the saying "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself"?
7. What does love fulfill according to Romans 13:10?
8. What is the love of God?
9. God's commandments are not what?
10. In Matthew 11:30, what did Jesus say about His yoke and His burden?
11. What is hard according to Proverbs 13:15?
12. Define Transgressor –

Apply:

We demonstrate our love for God and for our brother, by obeying God's Word. In what areas do you consistently have trouble obeying God?

What habits of sin keep you from obeying in these areas?

What will be the long term results if you continue to disobey?

What will be the results if you quit your sin and begin obeying?

What steps do you need to take to do this?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 5:13

Read - 1 John 5: 4-8

Time: _____

Time spent in prayer _____

Examine -

1. What does the person who is born of God overcome?

- **Note: This doesn't mean that you *do* overcome but you now have the *ability* to overcome because God is dwelling in you!**

2. What is the victory that overcomes the world?

3. According to Ephesians 6:16, what does the shield of faith quench?

4. By what does faith come? (Romans 10:17)

5. Who is he that overcomes the world?

6. By what two things did Jesus come?

- **Note:** This is a reference to the Baptism of Jesus (Matthew 3:13-17) and the death of Jesus. One started his earthly ministry and the other ended it.

7. Who bears witness of this? (See John 15:26 for more on this)

8. The Holy Spirit is what?

9. What three persons bear record in Heaven?

10. These three persons are what? (John 1:1)

BONUS: What doctrine of God does this support? Give more Scriptural support!

12. What three things bear witness in earth?

- **Note: this is a difficult passage but let us give a brief explanation: The spirit bears witness with our spirit (Romans 8:16) that we are a child of God – this is internal. The water is reference to water baptism and refers to the external evidence or testimony that we are saved. The blood refers to the mercy seat in heaven where we are seen as justified in God's eyes based on the finished work of Christ on the cross.**

Apply:

God did not design us to be victims of the world. He designed us to overcome the world through our faith in Christ. One day we will ultimately overcome the world when Christ returns to take us out of the world. In the meantime, we can still have victory over sin as we avail ourselves of the resources God has given us. Faith comes by the Word of God, and victory comes by faith. What is an area of temptation in which you have consistent trouble?

Use a concordance to find three passages of Scripture that deal with your temptation and write down the references.

Memorize these verses, and ask the Lord to help you overcome this temptation!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 5:13

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 5: 9-13

Examine -

1. The witness of God is greater than the witness of whom?
2. What does the person who believes on the Son of God have in himself?
3. Who is this?
4. He that does not believe God makes Him what?
5. What is the record that God gave us concerning His Son?
6. In whom is eternal life?
7. What must a person have to have eternal life?
8. Who does not have eternal life?
9. To whom was John writing according to verse 13?
10. Why was he writing according to this verse?

Apply:

There are many who have an improper concept of salvation because they base it on their emotions, experiences, or someone's teaching. A proper concept of salvation comes from the witness that God has given us: that we can know that we are saved when we have placed our faith in Christ! Do you know without a doubt that you are saved?

On what do you base your salvation?

Briefly write your Salvation experience, giving Bible to back your position!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – 1 John 5:13

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 5: 14-15

Examine -

1. What is the confidence that we have in God?
2. What condition does this verse give us concerning prayer?
3. If we meet this condition, what promise does this verse give us concerning prayer?
4. According to Psalm 66:18, why are some prayers not heard?
5. Why are some prayers not answered according to James 4:3?
6. If we know that God hears us, we know that we have what?

Apply:

Our prayer life is an essential aspect of our fellowship with God. When we pray out of a pure heart, with pure motives, according to God's will, we will have an effective prayer life. How is your prayer life?

Does it meet these qualifications?

What are some definite answers to prayer that you have seen in the last month or two?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – 1 John 5:13

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 5: 16-17

Examine -

1. What are believers to do if a brother sins?
2. How do we ask God for something?
3. What are two ways believers are to respond to a sinning brother according to Galatians 6:1?
3. What will God do in response if the sin was not a sin leading to death?
4. James 5:14 says the elders of the church are to pray for whom?
5. In James 5:15, what two ways will the Lord respond to their prayer if it is in faith?

6. How are believers to respond if a brother sins a sin unto death?
 - **Note – It is rare that we would stop praying for someone but God may prompt our heart to stop. This is a sad case!**

7. How does verse 17 define sin?

Apply:

When we see a brother fall into sin, it is often our temptation to gossip about him. However, we have a Biblical command to pray for him and to restore him instead. Plus then **we** would be sinning.

How do you respond to a sinning brother or sister?

Have you damaged somebody's character through gossip and need to make this right?

Do you need to confront a person about their sin? (Pro. 27:5-6)

Remember Galatians 6:1 and do as soon as possible!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 5:13

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 5: 18-21

Examine -

1. We know that a person born of God does not what?

- **Note: This is the same concept of that in chapter three of continuous sin. We know because of I John 1:9 that everyone sins!**

2. What do we know that this person does?

3. Who does not touch him?

4. What do we know about ourselves?

5. What do we know about the world?

6. What two things do we know about the Son of God according to verse 20?

7. Whom may we know?

8. In whom are we?

9. Who is the true God, and eternal life?

10. From what are we to keep ourselves?

11. What is idolatry according to Colossians 3:5?

Apply:

Jesus is God, and the only source of eternal life. He alone is worthy of our worship. We must carefully guard ourselves from allowing anything or anyone to distract us from giving our time, energy and love to Christ.

Who or what in your life distracts you from Christ?

Are you willing to put it or them in their rightful place or let them go?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – I John 5:13

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - 1 John 5

Examine -

1. How do we know that we love the children of God?
2. God's commandments are not what?
3. What is the victory that overcomes the world?
4. Who overcomes the world?
5. What record did God give us concerning His Son?
6. To whom was John writing?
7. Why was he writing?
8. What condition and promise are given concerning prayer?
9. How should a believer respond to a sinning brother?
10. What do we know about the world?
11. What two things do we know about the son of God? (v. 20)
12. From what are we to keep ourselves?

Apply:

How can you apply things from this chapter to your life specifically this week?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Week Six – II John

II John 10-11

"If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds."

The things I want to accomplish this week!

I Cor. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II John 10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - II John 1-2

Examine -

1. How does John refer to himself?
2. To whom is John writing?
3. In whom does John love those to whom he is writing?
4. Who else loves those to whom he is writing?
5. Why does John love them?
6. Who dwells in us?
7. How long will He be with us?
8. In Hebrews 13:5, what two things are we reminded of that the Lord said He would never do?
9. Look up John 17:17 and John 14:6. What is truth?

Apply:

Isn't it interesting that not only John loved those to whom he was writing, but also every one who loves the truth. How could this be?

All believers have a common bond in Jesus Christ, and a natural ability to love one another because of the love of God which is in us. To love our brothers in Christ is natural and right, if there is a brother that we do not love, it is because of a sin problem in our life. Is there a brother that you cannot honestly say that you love?

Why?

What steps do you need to take to reconcile this?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II John 10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - II John 3-4

Examine -

1. What three things does John desire for his readers?
2. From whom do these things come?
3. Can the world offer these?
4. What are two aspects of Christ's Sonship to the Father?
5. Why did John rejoice greatly?
6. What did John say was his greatest joy in III John 4?
7. What was Paul's glory and joy in 1 Thessalonians 2:20?
8. What commandment have we received from the Father?

Apply:

Pastor Surretts has often said that "children can bring their parents the greatest joy or the greatest sorrow." Paul and John both attest to this in their writings. Your spiritual condition not only affects you, but those around you, especially your parents, and Christian friends and leaders who invest their lives in you. List ten people who are affected by your life:

According to this text, what can you do to bring them joy?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II John 10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - II John 5-6

Examine -

1. What did John beseech the "lady" to whom he was writing to do?
2. Was this a new or old commandment?
3. How long have we had this commandment?
4. What does Leviticus 19:18 say?

BONUS: In relation to the other books of the Bible, when was Leviticus written?

5. What did Jesus command His disciples in John 13:34?
6. What is the demonstration of our love?
7. In John 14:15, what did Jesus say we would do if we loved Him?
8. What are we to do with the commandment we have heard?
9. What does James 1:22 say we are supposed to be?

10. What does this verse say we do to ourselves if we fail to do God's word?

Apply:

We have seen several times now in First and Second John (as well as through out the Bible) that we are commanded to love, now John says to walk in this commandment. In other words, don't just know you are supposed to love, don't just talk about it. Do it!!

Review 1 John 3:16-18 and James 2:15-16! List some ways in which you can demonstrate your love.

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Weekly memory verse – II John 10-11

Read - II John 7

Time: _____

Time spent in prayer _____

Examine -

1. Who are entered into the world?
2. In what quantity are they?
3. What false doctrine do they teach?
4. What two things are they?
5. Who will be among us according to 2 Peter 2:1?
6. They will bring in what?
7. Who will they deny?
8. What will they bring upon themselves?
9. What did Jesus say to beware of in Matthew 7:15?
10. In what do they come to us?
11. What are they inwardly?
12. How shall we know them according to Matthew 7:16?

Apply:

Our fellowship with God and with each other is based on truth. There are many who seek to destroy this fellowship by teaching lies; therefore, we must be careful not to swallow everything we hear (Prov. 14:15), but try the spirits (1 John 4:1).

Do you know enough of the Bible to discern between truth and error?

What is one thing you can do today to help be better prepared in this area?

What are four common (there are many) false doctrines that we hear?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II John 10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - II John 8-9

Examine -

1. To whom are we supposed to look?
2. What did Paul tell the Corinthian believers to do in 2 Cor. 13:5?

3. What is it possible for us to lose?
4. What is it possible for us to receive?

Turn to 1 Corinthians 3:11-15.

5. What shall be made manifest?
6. By what will this be tried?
7. What will some people receive?
8. What will some people suffer?
9. What will be the difference? (vs. 10 b)

Turn back to 2 John 9.

10. Who does not have God?
11. Who has both the Father and the Son?

Apply:

What would you think of someone who spent his whole life working at a job where he did not get paid in any way? Not too bright, huh? Well, it is not so bright for a Christian to live his whole life carelessly and have no reward in eternity. We must constantly examine our doctrine and our lifestyles to make sure we are in line with God's Word to make sure we will have something to receive from the Lord. He wants to give to us.

Are you building your life on the right foundation?

With what are you building wood and hay, or precious metals and stones?

What renovations can you make to replace wood and hay with gold and silver?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II John 10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - II John 10-13

Examine -

1. How are we to respond to those who hold a false doctrine of Christ?

2. Of what is he a partaker who bids them God speed?

3. How should we respond to false teachers according to

2 Cor. 6:17 -

Titus 1:13 -

Titus 3:10 -

2 Timothy 3:5 -

4. To keep ourselves from error, what should we do according to the following verses...

1 Timothy 4:16 -

1 Timothy 6:12,14,20 -

2 Timothy 1:13 -

2 Timothy 2:15 -

2 Timothy 3:14 -

Titus 2:1 -

5. What did John still have to write?

6. What did he want to do?

7. Why?

8. Who also sent their greetings?

Apply:

The Bible makes it very clear that we must have zero tolerance for false teaching. We should have compassion for those who teach it because they are lost souls, but we must not tolerate their teaching. What would you do if a Mormon or Jehovah's Witness came to your house wanting to talk to you about their cult?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – II John 10-11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - II John

Examine -

1. In whom did John love those to whom he was writing?

2. Why did he love them?

3. Who lives in us?

4. How long will he be with us?

5. Why did John rejoice?

6. How do we demonstrate love?

7. Who are entered into the world?

8. Why are we to look to ourselves?

9. How are we to respond to false teachers?

10. Why did John want to speak face to face with those to whom he was writing?

Apply:

What things meant the most to you in this book?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Week Seven - III John

III John 11

"Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God."

The things I want to accomplish this week!

I Cor. 10:31

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – III John 11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - III John 1-2

Examine -

1. How does John refer to himself?
2. To whom is he writing?
3. What word does he use to describe him?
4. In what does he love him?
5. What are two ways that verse one is similar to 2 John 1?
6. What two things does John wish for Gaius?
7. To what degree does he wish for these?
8. Read 1 Timothy 4:8. How profitable is bodily exercise?
9. Unto what is godliness profitable?

Apply:

We do not know what kind of health Gaius was in, or how much money he had, but one thing is certain, he was rich and healthy spiritually! Christians should take care of their bodies because God indwells each of us; and if God prospers us as we serve Him that is fine. However, these should be secondary concerns. Our primary concern should be living godly lives. The world has this whole concept backwards. What about you? Which is in better shape, your spirit or your body?

On which do you spend more time working?

What are some good "dietary" guidelines for spiritual fitness? (Hint: see 1 Peter 2:2 and John 4:34)

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – III John 11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - III John 3-4

Examine -

1. Who came to John?
2. Of what did they testify?
3. What did this cause John to do?
4. How are this verse and 2 John 4 similar?
5. In what did Gaius walk?
6. What was John's greatest joy?

Apply:

Gaius' Christian character was so clear that others took note of it and spoke highly of him to John. If someone spent even a short time with you, would they know you were a Christian by the time they left?

If someone who knows you well were to give a report on you, would they be able to complement your godly character or would their report be less pleasant?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – III John 11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - III John 5-8

Examine -

1. For what two categories of people did Gaius do things?
2. How did he do these things?
3. What quality of Gaius did these people bear witness of to the church?
4. John told Gaius that he would do well if he did what?
5. To what is this referring?
6. Why did these brethren and strangers go forth?
7. What did they take from the Gentiles?
8. What did John say they should do because of this?
9. In so doing, what would they be?

Apply:

Verses five through eight give us a great deal of insight about the relationship between missionaries and the local church. The missionary goes out for Christ's name sake. He does not depend on unbelievers to meet his needs, and he reports back to the local church. The local church should love their missionary, receive him, provide his needs, and do these things faithfully and in a godly manner. In so doing, the church has a part in the missionary's ministry.

In what ways are you actively involved in the work of missions?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Weekly memory verse – III John 11

Read - III John 9-11

Time: _____

Time spent in prayer _____

Examine -

1. To whom did John write?
2. Who loved to have the preeminence in the church?
3. How did he respond to John and the brethren?
4. How did Diotrephes talk about John and the brethren?
5. What did he do to those in the church who wanted to receive John and the brethren?
6. What does John warn us not to follow?
7. What does he admonish us to follow?
8. Of whom is the person who does good?
9. Who has not seen God?

Apply:

Diotrephes loved to be the big shot. He could not stand for anyone else to be in an important position, so he slandered their character. John clearly identifies Diotrephes' character and actions as evil. Do you love to be the center of attention?

Are you jealous when your peers are in important positions?

In Philippians 2:3-4, how are we to esteem others?

On what things are we to look?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Weekly memory verse – III John 11

Read - III John 12-14

Time: _____

Time spent in prayer _____

Examine -

1. Who has a good report of all men?
2. Of what else does he have a good report?
3. Who else bore record of this?
4. What do we know about their record?
5. What else did John have to write?
6. What did John trust to be able to do shortly?
7. What does John wish for Gaius in this verse?
8. Who salutes Gaius in this verse?
9. What does John tell Gaius to do?

Apply:

Demetrius had consistent character; he was the same person no matter where he was or who he was with. As a result, he had a good report of all men.

Is your character consistent?

Are you the same person at home, at school and at church, or do you act differently to impress different people?

Who is always with you no matter where you are? (Ps. 139:7-12)

Who should you try to please no matter the circumstances?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – III John 11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - III John

Examine -

1. To whom was John writing?
2. What things did John wish for him?
3. To what measure did he wish for these things?
4. In what did Gaius walk?
5. What was John's greatest joy?
6. How did Gaius do things for the brethren and strangers?
7. Who loved to have the preeminence in the church?
8. What are we not to follow?
9. What are we to follow?
10. Who has a good report of all men?
11. What does this suggest about his character?

Apply:

What were the most significant principles in 3 John to you?

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weekly memory verse – III John 11

Time spent in prayer _____

Read - I, II, III John

Examine -

1. What message have we heard from God? (1 John 1:5)
2. In what must we walk to have fellowship with God? (1 John 1:7)
3. What must we do if we break our fellowship with God? (1 John 1:9)
4. How do we know that we know God? (1 John 2:3)
5. What are we not to love? (1 John 2:15)
6. In whom are we to abide? Why? (1 John 2:28)
7. What are we according to 1 John 3:2?
8. Why was the Son of God manifested? (1 John 3:8)
9. How are we to love? (1 John 3:18)
10. What are we to do with the spirits? Why? (1 John 4:1)
11. What is a man who claims to love God but hates his brother? (1 John 4:20)
12. Why did John write these things according to 1 John 5:13?
13. How should we respond to false teachers? (2 John 10)
14. What did John wish for Gaius? (3 John 2)

Apply:

List four principles from this series that you will ask the Lord to help you apply to your life consistently.

Double Bonus: List the marks of a true believer and the Scripture with each one!

Prayer

Praise

Main thought to meditate on today: _____
