

# Life in the Word

*Cornerstone Sermon-based Life Group Lesson*



Sermon Series: **1 John Series**

Sermon Title: **The Test of Obedience**

Scripture Passage: **1 John 2:3-6**

**Getting Started** Sharing from personal experience

When did you first start to observe or experience proof that your faith in Christ is real?

What did you see that constituted proof for you?

What questions do you still have concerning the authenticity of your faith?

**Observation** Discovering the context

How does the theme of walking in the light in Chapter 1 relate to this passage in chapter 2:3-6?

What words and concepts stand out to you in this passage?

Describe some similarities you see between 1 John and the gospel of John.

## **Interpretation** Discovering the meaning

Discuss the importance of the repetition of the word *know* in this passage. What does it mean to know God?

When did you first come to know God?

Discuss your understanding of why obedience proves authentic faith?

Have you ever known someone who seemed to exhibit obedience but ended up abandoning the faith? What is the difference? (1 John 2:19)

Why would God want us to be obedient as a way of our showing our love for Him?

Discuss your understanding of abiding in Christ. Use John 15 for additional truths on the subject.

What is the difference between the obedience presented in this passage and working to earn favor with God?

## **Core Truths** Discovering Biblical truth

In your own words, share at least one core truth God has shown you in this week's study and why it is timely or significant for you.

## **Practice Makes Progress** Putting knowledge into practice

What action is the Lord prompting you to take this week as a result of being in His Word?

## **Worth Memorizing**

Scripture: And by this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments.

(1 John 2:3)

## **Prayer Time**

How can your Life Group pray for you this week?

## **Praise Time**

How has God blessed you and answered prayer this week?