

Life in the Word

Cornerstone Sermon-based Life Group Lesson



Sermon Series: **1 John Series**

Sermon Title: **The Overwhelming Power of Faith**

Scripture Passage: **1 John 5:4-12**

Getting Started Sharing from personal experience

1. Life can be overwhelming, can't it? Jesus said we would have trouble in this world (John 16:33) but He also said we could be overcomers. What was your go-to strategy when life felt overwhelming before you had faith in Christ? What is it today?

Observation Discovering the context

2. In 1 John 2:15-17, Jesus commands us not to love the world, the things of the world or the things that are IN the world. What types of things do you think He is referring to when He says not to love the things IN this world and why?
3. Proof. Evidence. These are the demands of skeptics who deny the reality of Christ, faith in Christ or the faith in the Bible's testimony about Him. Read Deuteronomy 19:15. What did the Law of Moses require in order to confirm that an accusation was truthful?

4. In your own words, what is the evidence, or the “witness,” concerning Jesus Christ in each of the three scriptures below?
 - a. John 1:32-34
 - b. Psalm 22
 - c. Acts 1:4-8

Interpretation Discovering the meaning

5. 1 John 5:10a we discover, “*Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony **in himself.***” (If you’d like to read a “textbook” personal testimony of God, read the testimony of the Apostle Paul in Acts 22:6-21). In your Life Group, ask each participant to briefly share their personal testimony.

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: *Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?* (1 John 5:5)

Prayer Time

How can your Life Group pray for you this week?

Praise Time

How has God blessed you and answered prayer this week?