



Life Group Discussion Guide

Sept 7: 1 John 2:12-17 God's Kingdom or the World's Kingdom?

Icebreaker Options:

When you think back to your early days of following Jesus, what is one thing that left you in awe of God's love for you?

Can you think of a time when you felt spiritually matured or grown? What led to that growth?

Discussion Questions:

Read 1 John 2:12-17

Call to Spiritual Maturity

1. John addresses "little children," "young men," and "fathers" (vv. 12–14). What do these stages teach us about spiritual growth and maturity? Where do you see yourself in this picture?
2. Why is it important to remain in *constant awe* of God's forgiveness and love? How does forgetting this truth affect our daily walk with Christ? Practically, what habits do we need to help us maintain this awe?
3. John says young believers are strong because the Word of God abides in them. What does it practically look like to "abide in God's Word"?

Command to Reject Idolatry

4. Verse 15 warns us not to love the world or the things in it. Which of these three most clearly motivates the people you know and live near: (1) the drive to meet their physical needs, (2) the drive to get things, or (3) the drive to succeed?
5. The sermon contrasted persecution in other countries with seduction in the U.S. What things in the world are you tempted to love? Why are these things so enticing to us?

6. In what ways do our schedules, spending habits, or parenting sometimes reflect the world more than God's kingdom?

Challenge to Live with an Eternal Perspective

7. Verse 17 says the world and its desires are passing away. How does this truth reshape how we view success, possessions, or even relationships?
8. The sermon shared the phrase, "In view of eternity." How might adopting this perspective change the way you make daily decisions?
9. How can we desire good things (like marriage, children, or careers) without letting them become idols?

Application

10. What are some practical ways we can guard our hearts against the desires that John warns about in this passage?
11. What step of growth do you sense God is calling you to take --- toward maturity, away from idolatry, or into an eternal perspective? What specific steps will you take?
12. How can we support each other to resist worldly temptations and grow closer to Christ?

What's Happening in the Life of Legacy:

More details on these events can be found at lcc.org/whats-happening

All Campus

- **Advance the Kingdom:** We have exciting news in the life of Legacy! We want everyone to go "All In" on Project Advance. Learn more here: <https://lcc.org/advance/>
- **Legacy Moms:** Begins Sept 9. 9:30 – 11:00am every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at the **BV Campus**.

Local Serving Opportunities to Share with Your Group:

These are the serving requests we have received over the past few weeks!

Walk for The Single Mom KC in partnership with Worthy 1's Foundation

- The Single Mom KC is partnering with Worthy 1's Foundation for the 2025 Walk for TSMKC on October 18—a family-friendly event supporting single moms in Kansas City. Special guest Nicky Jones, Executive Director of Worthy 1's and mother of KC Chiefs wide receiver Xavier Worthy, will share her passion for empowering moms and families to move from surviving to thriving.
- [The Single Mom KC Walk](#)