

Life Group Discussion Guide

October 5: 1 John 4:1-6 --- Truth

Icebreaker:

In today's world, everyone talks about "my truth." When you hear that phrase, what do you think people mean by it? How does it make you feel?

Discussion Questions:

- 1. According to 1 John, truth isn't just something we know—it's something we *walk in*. **Read 3 John 1:3-4** and **John 8:31-32**.
 - a) What does it mean to "walk in truth"? How is this different from simply believing the truth?
 - b) What might be a signal that we are believing truth but not walking in it?
- 2. John speaks of transformation through fellowship with God.
 - a) What are the signs that you're being transformed by truth and love?
- 3. Randy warns about a culture that customizes and compromises truth. Read Proverbs 14:12.
 - a) If what feels *right* or *seems good* can actually lead to destruction, how do you discern what is truly from God as opposed to what "seems right to me?"
 - b) In what areas of life (relationships, identity, ethics, spiritual practices) are we most tempted to trust "what seems right to me" instead of what God says is true?

4. Read 1 John 4:1-6.

- a) Why is it so important to identify false teaching as a spiritual deception—not just "bad theology."
- b) What dangers do you see when Christians *don't* test spiritual voices, influencers, or even preachers?
- c) How can you better test the spirits and ideas that influence you?
- 5. Truth and love must move together like pedals on a bicycle.
 - a) Which pedal do you tend to push more: truth or love?
 - b) How can you grow in the one you might be weaker in?

- 6. Randy said: "The existence of God requires that a Christian must think deeply and rightly."
 - a) What are the consequences of a shallow or emotional faith that avoids deep thinking?
- 7. Ian Simpkins said that "Good theology without love is really bad theology. Love without good theology is actually bad love."
 - a) What did he mean by this?
- 8. In light of this message, what one **belief**, **habit**, or **relationship** do you sense God calling you to realign with His truth?

What's Happening in the Life of Legacy:

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

All Campus: Shepherding Elder Ordination: October 12. 4:00 – 5:00 pm. Overland Park Campus.

Overland Park Campus: Men's Breakfast: October 11. 8:00 – 9:30am. Cost \$5.

Lee's Summit Campus: Men's BBQ Tour: October 9. 11:30am – 1:00pm. Char Bar.

Olathe Campus: Fall Tailgate: October 6. 5:30pm.

Blue Valley Campus: Tailgate Sunday: Nov 2. Following 10:45 service.

Hispanic Ministry Campus: Women's Bible Studies: Tuesday Evenings or Wednesday Mornings.

Local Serving Opportunities to Share with Your Group:

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

Firm Foundations Prison Ministry - For more info, contact Matt at matt@firmfoundationsministries.org.

• Top needs: Training Spanish-speaking brothers to lead and shepherd men on the inside.

House of Hope KC – For more info, contact Amy Burgess at amy@houseofhopekc.net.

- Spanish Tutors
- Language Arts Tutors
- Office Assistant, Thursdays, 8:30-11:30 AM