LIGHT & LOVE

WEEK 6: YOU'RE BORN OF GOD

Warm up question:

What are some truths about God that you've learned about God from reading 1 John?

Read 1 John 5:1-12

- 1. What does this passage have to say about Jesus' resurrection? What importance does it attach to this event?
- 2. If God does the 'overcoming' work, how should we respond?
- 3. What do verses 6-9 say about the Holy Spirit? How does the Spirit help us day to day?
- 4. Verse 9 refers to God's testimony. What does it say about God's testimony and where can we receive God's testimony today?
- 5. Count the number of references to God, Jesus/the Son, and the Holy Spirit in this passage. What does this show us about the Trinity?

Read 1 John 5:13-21

- 6. 1 John finishes with some pastoral notes. What are they and what relevance do they have for us today?
- 7. What does this passage tell us about prayer? How might this help you pray?
- 8. Verse 21 ends the chapter and the book with a warning about idols. Is this a helpful ending?

Rubber hits the road:

- 1 John calls for unity and sincerity in the life of a Christian. How can you work on the way you
 approach church unity in your church and sincerity and authenticity in your life? What are some
 practices that you can apply to your daily life to help you bring your church family together and
 help you become more like Jesus on a daily basis?
- Memory Verse!

Write down **1 John 5:21** and place it somewhere you'll see it every day. Try memorising this verse and saying it to yourself every day. As you do this, remind yourself of its truth – We are to love God with all of our heart, mind, soul, and strength!

PRAYER

Living Lord Jesus, you are the true saviour of the world. Thank you for coming to earth to rescue me, dying to save me, and rising from the dead to bring me into eternal life. Please send your Holy Spirit into my heart afresh so that I might trust you always. I also pray that you would keep me from sin and walking in your light. In Jesus' name, Amen.

